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in cabinet

By ASHER WALLFISH.

DAVID LANDAU

and DAVID RUDGE

Jerusalem Post Reporters

The board of directors of the

Electric Corporation will meet

tonight, at the request of Energy

Minister Yitzhak Moda'i, to discuss

cussion on Moda'i's demand that

Hagoel go. Ministers said the ses-

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According to cabinet sources.

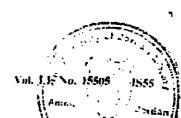
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evy claims 'deal' or no wage erosion

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT Jerusalem Post Reporter

AVIV. - After being suband to scathing criticism of the "amment's fiscal policy for over inour yesterday by the Herut a rank and file, Deputy Prime Ster David Levy announced he had reached "complete un-" anding" with Finance Minister Cohen-Orgad that wages d not be eroded in 1984.

seaking here to members of the salet Lavan (Herut) faction in Histadrut, Levy made it clear andships are expected on the 😘 to economic recovery. Yet he explicit in announcing the un-- king to prevent wage erosion. shall do so," he insisted.

Sowever, Finance Ministry - Swoman Ariela Ravdel would is confirm there was such an unsanding to prevent wage ero-Levy's statement contradicted en-Orgad's policy, which ins a 12 per cent erosion in The spokeswoman told The alem Post the minister would ne omment on tête-à-tête talks and

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S. motorists stranded on holiday

urrendering to police. Story - Page 2.

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Shalom Ovnish, secretary of the Beit She'an Labour Council (Levy's home town) said he is "sure that in every development town what is missing is only the person who will

strike the match to set the blaze." "How much longer will dozens of unemployed youngsters walk around idle? How long will they stay in development towns when there is no chance to advance honourably?"

"It is this public which gave you the mandate to run the state," Ovnish said. "This government does not realise whom it is hurting."

David Knafo, secretary of the Dead Sea Works employees, said that even they, though well paid, cannot make ends meet. He accused Cohen-Orgad of being "an Alignment agent within the govern ment to topple the government as fast as possible."

Some shouted derisively and some clapped hands, while Knafo insisted, "This government is giving the Alignment and the Histadrut the tools to fight it."

David Sabag, secretary of the Phoenecia glass workers in Yeroham, said he knows "several people who vote Likud" who find it very difficult to bring home even the "very basic commodities."

"We don't want to lose our honour," he said in a trembling voice. "Our honour is first and foremost to have a place to work in and a salary so that we can bring

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David Hagoel

Moda'i came up against legal objections from Attorney-General Yitzhak Zamir in his bid to have the cabinet fire Hagoel, Zamir insisted that the board of the corporation is the proper forum to discuss the

future of the chairman.

At the same time, the sources said, the ministers realized that work together and if the issue came

the minister's desire that board If the board does not accept the minister's wishes, Moda'i will bring the issue back to the cabinet next This was the procedure agreed yesterday after a stormy cabinet dis-

Cabinet sources said there were tensions yesterday between Moda'i and Zamir, and at one point it seemed that Justice Minister Moshe Nissim would intervene to protect Zamir from Moda'i's wrath, but this eventually proved unnecessary.

the cabinet last week, with vehemence, but the other ministers The sources said Moda'i took umbrage at the fact that his fellow Asked yesterday to explain why ministers circulated notes among he was so anxious to be rid of themselves during his presentation. Hagoel, Moda'i told the ministers: He appeared to deduce - correctly 'It is all a matter of misunderaccording to the sources - that standings. We just misunderstand there was not much sympathy for him at the cabinet table.

proving unwarrantably generous prerequisites for employees of the Moda'i and Hagoel could no longer (Continued on back page)

Beirut casualties rise as fighting intensifies

BEIRUT (AP). — The Lebanese Army and Shiite Moslem militiamen fought with tanks, mortars and automatic weapons along Beirut's southern outskirts yesterday, and scores of people were

reported killed or wounded. The fighting crupted after French forces pulled out of positions on the city's southern edge and the Lebanese Army -- regarded by opposition Moslem forces as an ally of the Christian militia - moved in to

take over the posts. and private stations described the battle as the heaviest in the capital since two weeks ago, when an agreement was reached in Damascus to consolidate the September 26 cease-fire and allow

the reopening of Beirut airport. A source at the a-Sahel Hospital. located about 500 metres from the fighting front, said the hospital received 13 bodies and 60 wounded. most of them civilians but also including Lebanese Army soldiers and men from the dominant Shiite militia Amal.

Other reports said as many as 50 may have been killed, but these could not be confirmed.

The fighting began on Saturday evening and raged through most of vesterday, but a cease-fire agreed to in the late afternoon seemed to be

taking hold as darkness fell. Lebanese police said Shiite militiamen attacked with machine guns, mortars and rocket-propelled grenades after the army moved into positions along the airport road, near the Shatilla refugee camp that had been occupied by the French forces. The army responded with tank fire, the police said.

spilled over into the Shatilla area guarded by the Italian contingent of the multinational force but no Italian soldiers were injured.

The fighting also spread into residential neighbourhoods to the east populated by Christians and Shiite Moslems.

The fighting came as efforts were under way to reach agreement to create a neutral zone to separate the army and Christian militiamen from Syrian-backed Druse and Shiite fighters. A disengagement plan was expected to be announced last week, but radio reports said further negotiations were required to iron out details,

IDF soldier hurt in grenade attack in Sidon

By MENAHEM HOROWITZ Jerusalem Post Reporter

METULLA. — Two hand grenades were thrown at an IDF convoy in Sidon yesterday, lightly wounding one soldier.

. It was the 13th attack against the IDF in the town in a week. 1DF sources attributed the

number of attacks to the fact that Sidon is close to the Awali River crossing point and those terrorists who do succeed in crossing over to Israeli-held territory with their weapons come first to Sidon.

Half of all the attacks against the IDF since it lest the Shouf mountains in September have been in Sidon, the sources said.

They added that they are sure that some of the approximately 800 former Ansar prisoners who returned to Sidon have also returned to terrorist activity.

3 Lebanese held for running IDF roadblock

By MENAHEM HOROWITZ Jerusalem Post Reporter

METULLA. - Three Lebanese a man and two women - were being held here yesterday after the pick-up truck in which they were riding ran an IDF roadblock just north of the Good Fence.

When the vehicle approached the roadblock, an IDF guard ordered it to stop. The man who was driving failed to respond, and soldiers opened fire forcing the truck to

halt. The three Lebanese, from the village of Adaise, were unhurt.

Ire over Arafat aimed more at U.S. than Egypt By DAVID LANDAU sed his "grave displeasure" to the

Post Diplomatic Correspondent

Israel is hoping the U.S. administration will not seek to develop the present tension over the Arafat-Mubarak meeting into a full-fledged confrontation - if only out of American domestic politic consideration.

If it does, however, the Israel government is determined not to flinch, but will take its case to the court of the U.S. and western public opinion, stressing the terrorist nature of the PLO.

Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir. speaking at the end of a lengthy cabinet meeting yesterday, reiterated his bitter criticism of Washington's welcome for the resuscitation of Yasser Arafat as a political factor."

Shamir told the ministers he had sent a letter of protest to Secretary of State George Shultz.

Israeli spokesmen were noticeably less vociferous in their criticism of Egypt. Shamir expres-

cabinet. But diplomatic representations were kept discreet, and Israel no longer publicly branded the Arafat-Muharak meeting as a legal violation of the Israel-Egypt peace treaty, which bans active assistance to subversive organizations.

Regarding the U.S., the pokesmen were instructed to be much more forthright in their comments. "Instead of encouraging Muharak to draw closer to Israel. said a high cabinet source, "the

closer to the PLO.

"But," the source noted as els-The make peace in this are a second have to make it with Israel. And Israel in no government in Israel

will ever negotiate with Arafat. The course suggested that Washington had blundered into gacouraging and welcoming the Arafat-Maharak metting as a way or "halaneme" as Midéie East pos are following stildent Arab er (1878). Continued on Page 3, vol. 6.

Arafat's whereabouts still unknown

BAHRAIN (Reuter). - The whereabouts of PLO leader Yasser Arafat remained unknown last night, three days after he was last seen in Cairo for talks with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak.

The Greek ship Odysseus Elytis, which evacuated Arafat and many of his men from Tripoli five days. ago, was believed to be sailing down. the Red Sea towards Hodeida. North Yemen, but there was no confirmation that the Fatah chief

was still on board. There has been speculation that Arufat disembarked along the Sauce Arabian Red Sea court for tallwith Saudi leaders, but the Prorepresentative in Robert Robe Natshel said on Saturday ment that neither the Greek ship ner Armit had arrived in Sagar Arabia.

There was no further were tren the PLO vesterday A large number of wornalists and cameramen were in House,...

Some U.S. officials dubious about PLO chief

By WOLF BLITZER Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON, - A vocal minority of senior U.S. officials believes that President Ronald Reagan's revived effort aimed at winning an agreement between Jordan's King Hussein and PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat in support of the 1982 Reagan Middle East peace plan is bound to fail, causing yet further embarrassment to the

president. But Reagan, Secretary of State George Shultz, National Security

Adviser Robert McFarlane and other top U.S officials have resected this opinion Strongly encouraged by Egypt, Saudi Arabia, other "moderate" Arab states as well as by several of the West European allies, especially France, the Americans are now moving full speed ahead once again in their hehind-the-scenes diplomatic campaign to court Arafat and Hussein,

In a major shift, Reagan also has made clear that progress in resolving the broader Arab-Israeli conflict no longer needs to await an easing

of the tensions in Lebanon, Reagan said in his weekend interview with the wire services that he earlier had believed that progress in Lengus way a precondition for revising the

Palestinian-related peace taiss. "I don't think that's necessarily true now." Reagan said, "I think enough progress has been made there that we can go forward with the nease movement

Well-placed U.S. officials yesterday confirmed that this latest twist in U.S. policy has generated exten-(Continued on Page 2, Col. 6:

Ghali: Egypt will urge Jordan-PLO talks

CAIRO. - Egypt's Minister of with the Jordanian side," Ghali State for Foreign Affairs Butros Ghali will initiate diplomatic efforts to encourage the Palestine Liberation Organization to resume negotiations with Jordan aimed at starting talks with Israel on a comprehensive peace.

Egypt's official Middle East News Agency, told the Arab and Foreign Affairs Committee of the consultative council that Egypt will "use PLO chief Yasser Arafat's visit to Egypt in the interest of the Palestinian cause."

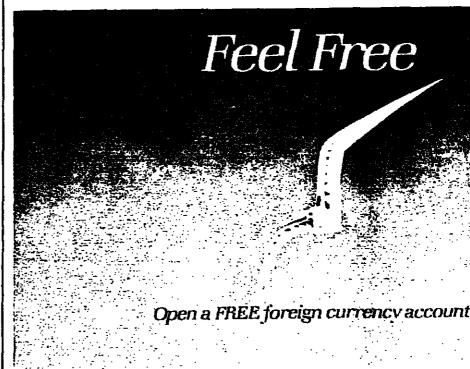
"The next step will include more contacts to encourage the Palestinian side to resume negotiations said, according to the agency. He added "If negotiations between Egypt, Jordan and the PLO, or hilateral negotiations between Jordan and the PLO start and succeed, they will find all support."

Oman, one of only three Arab which has diplomatic refations with Egypt, said it welcomed the meeting, the official Oman News Agency reported vesterday.

Morocco also welcomed the meeting, Egypt's Middle East News Agency reported from Rabat, quoting a highly-placed Moroccan government official as saying that Morocco is laying "great hopes" on the outcome of the visit.

The Saudi government produced its first official comment late Saturday on the controversial meeting A carefully-worded statement classified the issue as an inter-Palestinian affair, saying the kingdom's stance toward the Palestinian case "always emanated from the will of the Palestinian reaple and was in harmony with all that its leadership, represented in the

PLO, decimed fit." The PLO was the sole legitimate representative for the Palestinian people by resolutions of pan-Arab summits that endorsed the leadership chosen by the Palestinian national council, the Saudi statement stressed. (AP. Reuter)



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mories for stranded travellers and people without heat. NEWS BACKGROUND/David Landau

(Amram Galmi)

"I can't say what caused the ex-

plosion at this stage,"

spokeswoman for Scotland Yard

The explosion occurred near

Marble Arch at the junction of Ox-

ford Street and Orchard Street, the

crossroads at which are located two

major department stores, Selfridge's

and Marks and Spencer, the

damaged at least 200 homes and

businesses while spreading heavy

rain and snow along the Pacific

The freeze also threatened fruit

It was a blue holiday - in

weather and spirit - for hundreds

of motorists stranded by blowing

snow and squalls from the Dakotas

to the Atlantic, although hospitable

communities did their best to make

150 people spent the night in a club

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In Mendota, Illinois, more than

Indiana Gov. Robert Orr ordered

the drop-ins feel at home.

closed three highways.

spokeswoman said.

crops in the South.

Foreign Ministry never had it so good prises himself and Defence Minister most senior policymaking sanctum.

While the outgoing Deputy Foreign Minister, Yehuda Ben-Meir, steadily lost power and influence after Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir assumed the premiership, the ministry itself has. gained in influence as a result of Shamir's elevation.

This description of the state of. the ministry was advanced at the weekend by top officials there in response to newspaper reports of frustration and waning policy-input at their ministry. The reports purported to link this

ostensible situation to Ben-Meir's resignation. announced on Thurs-The top officials spoke of a

"puradox." Ben-Meir had suffered, they said, from Shamir's physical removal from the foreign ministry to the prime minister's office. But the ministry itself had benefited in that it now had direct access to the

In the past, the officials said, when Shamir was foreign minister only, Ben-Meir would be in and out of his office, working closely with him and thus contributing to the evolution of Foreign Ministry thinking - which Shamir would then convey to the premier.

When Shamir became premier. officials said, Ben-Meir presumed that his status and sphere of responsibility would grow. This is confirmed by independent sources. He presumed that he would, in effect. take over the running of the Foreign Ministry and the orchestration and transmission of the ministry's think-

But things did not work out that way. Shamir continued to elicit and distil the ministry's thinking directly from the department heads - and to convey it himself to the senior policymaking sanctum, which com-

Moshe Arens. Ben-Meir was excluded from this process, and from this sanctum. Ben-Meir quickly grew

frustrated. In recent weeks he sharply reduced his attendance at the ministry. Top officials at the ministry, some with long experience there, say the

ministry's present situation, in terms of input and access, is perhaps better than at any period in recent Despite Shamir's physical absence five days of the week (he tries to spend Thursdays at the

Foreign Ministry), he keeps in close

and frequent contact with Director-

General David Kimche. All major

policy-decisions at the ministry are

taken by Shamir. · The ministry's assessments and position-papers, particularly those (Continued on page 4)

THE WEATHER

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Yair Horowitz, legal adviser of the Jerusalem Municipality, will speak at the Jerusalem Rotary West meeting at 7 p.m. today in the King DaVid Hotel, about legal questions facing the municipality.

Spanish surrealist Miro dies at 90

PALMA DE MALLORCA, Spain (AP). - Joan Miro, the Spanish surrealist known for his playful paintings in brilliant colours, died vesterday at his son's home, his relatives said. He was 90 and had suffered from heart disease. Miro used vivid hues to convey a

sense of irony, eroticism, hallucinations and nature. He once said that to understand his work it was necessary to know the religious and magic content of things. At various stages, he was a cubist, surrealist and abstract painter.

He stopped painting

Miro had been bedridden since he left a clinic two weeks ago where he underwent a checkup for respiratory problems. He had a pacemaker installed a year ago because of heart trouble.

Last week, his doctor and brother-in-law, Luis Juncosa, said the painter was suffering from old age and no treatment was possible. Unlike Pablo Picasso and Salvador Dali, fellow great modern painters. Miro shunned the કામમી છોદ

"I am Miro." he said in one of his infrequent interviews. "I have invented nothing."

LEVY PLEDGES (Continued from Page One)

home not only bread... but also

Subag recalled that the Alignment-dominated Histadrut is the biggest employer in Yeroham. "I don't see what the Likud government... is contributing to the development towns," he said, adding. "I am for (settlement in) Judea and Samaria, but I am against using all the state's resources only in Judea and Samaria."

There was no doubt, however, that Levy still commanded the support of the scores of people who attended the meeting at Herut headquarters.

He called for a package deal between the Histadrut and private employers which would guarantee employment and no erosion in wages. "There is no escaping (such a deal). The government must take the first step," he said.

He fold his party colleagues "not to despair" and cautioned against presenting the Alignment's economic policies as "the good way. We've tried it," he recalled, alluding to the mid-1960s recession. "More than 100,000 people suffered then. I an asking for a sense of proportion," Levy added.

SAFE. - A 300-kilogram safe, whose contents are still unreported, was stolen Saturday night from the offices of the Kirvat Gat Religious Council,

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Move requiring deposit of papers miffs ministers

By ASHER WALLFISH Jerusalem Post Reporter

Cabinet ministers are unhappy about a proposal for draft legislation, initiated by the State Archives and sponsored by the Justice Ministry, requiring ministers and deputy ministers to send all the originals of their personal papers relating to state, public and political affairs to the Archives.

The proposal, which first came to the cabinet earlier in the year, and was sent to the Committee of Ministers for Legislation, returned to the cabinet yesterday but was again referred to the Committee.

A number of ministers pointed out that if the existing legislation concerning archives were strictly enforced and if ministers and their deputies respected the legislation,

tighter regulations would not be

Recent press reports about the late deputy premier Simha Ehrlich having in his safe at home the transcript of a conversation he held with U.S. Ambassador Samuel Lewis have given the issue of official archives a timely angle. However, the proposed legislation precedes those reports.

In vesterday's discussion, one of the ministers said it was absurd to demand that each time he delivered . a public speech he would be obliged to file the script in the State Archives.

However, most ministers seem prepared to accept an amendment which would give them the right to inspect papers they deposit in the State Archives at any time.

Talks set on airport dispute between ministry and IDF

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. - Transport Ministry director-general Uzi Landau and his counterpart in the Defence Ministry, Menahem Meron, are to meet soon to settle a dispute in which soldiers are barred from checking in for flights at Eilat airport on Sundays and the army threatens to bar foreign charter planes from landing at the Uvda Air

Transport Ministry and Airport Authority sources said the Israel Defence Forces had agreed that soldiers will not check in for flights at Eilat airport on Sundays because the small terminal is overcrowded then. Soldiers are to check in at Beit Hahayal or the town major's office and be driven to the planes, the

But the army was annoyed that soldiers were barred from entering

the ban had been imposed only after the IDF stopped using Arkia planes and said "it was strange that as long as they flew Arkia there were no

problems in the terminal." The IDF retaliated by threatening to stop European charter flights landing at the Uvda Air Base. The military airport is used for planes which are too big to land in Eilat.

and added: "if we're not good enough for the terminal in Eilat maybe the tourists don't suit the terminal in Uvda."

However, the army has yet to implement its threat and two planes - one from Germany and one from Britain - landed at Uvda yester-

No date for the Landau-Meron meeting had been set yet, the Transport Ministry's spokesman said.

Fugitive convict surrenders after siege

FEL AVIV (Itim). — A fugitive prisoner yesterday barricaded himself in a room of his brother-inlaw's house here for several hours before giving himself up to police. Mordechai Tauber, 34, disap-

peared last August while on a 24hour leave - his third - from Ma'asiyahu prison, where he is serving a 30-month sentence for armed robbery in 1982. Yesterday morning an argument broke out at the home of his married sister, during which he allegedly threatened her, her husband and their 10-year-old daughter with a pistol.

The brother-in-law apparently wrestled the pistol from him and then Tauber locked himself into a room of the flat, saying he had another pistol and several grenades. The argument was observed by the

doorman of the Sheraton Hotel, opposite the Rehov Hayarkon flat, who called the police.

Tel Aviv district police chief Nitzav Avraham Turgeman personally negotiated with Tauber and convinced him to surrender. When he was taken into custody, Tauber was reportedly armed only with a plastic pistol. There were previously unexplained reports that shots had been fired, however, and Tauber had a light wound on one leg from an undisclosed cause.

Speaking to reporters as he was led from the apartment, Tauber said he had quarrelled with his brotherin-law over a letter he wanted to write the president. "I'm sitting in jail for something I didn't do and it hurts me." Tauber told the press.

Police believe J'lem woman was killed

Police in Jerusalem are inclined to believe that Fortuna Levy, 65, whose burnt and lifeless body was found in her apartment last Thursday, was murdered.

Investigators disclosed yesterday that a jerrycan of kerosene was found in Levy's apartment, although the apartment was heated by a central heating system and autopsy. (Itim)

although Levy was known to fear

Also found in the apartment were several charred matches near Levy's body but beyond her reach, as well as bloodstains on the wall.

Police expect to have further details to aid them following an

Man, wife in hospital after murder-suicide try

By LIORA MORIEL Jerusalem Post Reporter

man and his 30-year-old wife are in hospital here after a murder-suicide attempt, police said yesterday. Yesterday morning, the man, Ben-Ami Levin, believed to be heavily in debt, told his estranged wife Rimona he was in serious difficulty and had to flee the country. After

she refused to help him, the man fired two shots at her chest and one BEERSHEBA. - A 35-year-old at his own head with a 22-calibre pistol, police said.

> The woman managed to run a short distance before a car stopped and took her to Soroka Hospital. An ambulance later brought the man there. The man is in serious condition, and the woman is in fair condition.

Teachers' union vows strike over advance -Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Secondary School Teachers Association decided last night that teachers who do not receive their cost-of-living advance by 11 a.m. this morning will walk off the job until the advance is paid. The union had received reports that some local authorities in the centre of the country including Ashkelon, Ashdod and Yehud did not pay the advance yesterday.

Meanwhile, representatives of the Histadrut Teachers Union and

the Secondary School Teachers Association will meet this afternoon with Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, in his capacity as acting education minister, to express their dissatisfaction with the Ministry of Education's decision not to hire substitute teachers for the first three days of the regular teacher's

The Histadrut Teachers Union will also hold a demonstration at the Knesset at 3 p.m. today on the same issue.

Woman killed in crash, husband seriously hurt

PETAH TIKVA (Itim). - A woman was killed yesterday and her husband seriously injured when their car struck a roadside post on Jabotinsky Avenue at the town's western entrance. Their car burst into flames and they were trapped

Passers-by pulled the two from the vehicle. The crew of a Magen David Adom ambulance which arrived on the scene gave first aid, but called a mobile intensive-care unit from Ramat Gan when they

SUSPICIOUS SONG. - A suspicious-looking package, received yesterday from a West German firm by Beit Shemesh Engines Ltd., played a recording of Merry Christmas when opened by police suppers.

NEW STATION. -- A police station was dedicated yesterday in the Beduin town of Rahat in the Negey.

realized the seriousness of the

woman's condition.

After 20 minutes of resuscitation efforts, the crew declared the woman dead. The husband was taken to nearby Beilinson Hospital in serious condition.

The names of the victims have not yet been released.



SON OF J.R. - Nine-year-old Omri Katz at a Tel Aviv hotel yesterday. Omri, the U.S.-born son of Israelis living in Los Angeles, beat thousands of other hopefuls and will portray JR. Ewing's son John Ross in the Dallas television series.

Health Ministry to weigh policy on acupuncture

By ASHER WALLFISH

Jerusalem Post Reporter Representatives of the acupuncturist association and of vegetarian and naturist groups will meet this week with Health Minister Eliezer Shostak to discuss ways and means of acquiring official sanction for

their activities. Minister without Portfolio Mordechai Ben-Porat, a confirmed vegetarian, helped fix the meeting and will also attend, it is under-

stood. An outline for legislation to regularize the work of the acupuncturists was discussed at yesterday's weekly cabinet session and referred back to the Committee of Ministers on Legislation for further study.

The Health Ministry has dropped its original proposal that only doctors be allowed to practise acupuncture and now agrees that

acupuncturists require recognized training, diplomas and Health Ministry certification only.

The cabinet is at present divided between the view advocated by Minister without Portfolio Sara Doron, that acupuncturists can work only after a patient has been diagnosed by a doctor and referred to them by a doctor; and Ben-Porat's position that the doctor's diagnosis is enough, while the referral can lead to unethical practice.

Doron told The Jerusalem Post last night that the Health Ministry must keep a close watch on the practice of acupuncture in the best interests of the public.

Ben-Porat told The Post that the Health Ministry must organize itself as soon as possible to create a formal framework for the paramedical professions which have been ignored in this country for too long.

Haifa labour group plans Sabbath films cinema will be included in the bus

By DAVID RUDGE Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. - The Haifa Labour Council is pressing for the opening of cinemas and other cultural events on Friday nights in retaliation against moves by certain religious factions in the city to stop public. transport on Sabbath, its spokesman told The Jerusalem Post last night.

The council's first step will be to screen films on Friday night at the Histadrut owned Ora cinema on Herzl Street.

from suburban Histadrut centres to in the city who were putting presthe city. Entrance fees to the sure on the religious councillors.

fares, he said The move will contravene the city's long standing status quo on

religious matters, which permits public transport on Sabbath but not Friday night cinema shows. Mayor Arye Gurel vowed prior to the municipal elections, to uphold the status quo which was also

endorsed by the three member

United Religious Front in the city council when they signed a coalition agreement with Gurel's controlling Alignment group. the Post was told that the call to Department of Education and stop public transport on Sabbath Culture will help arrange transport had been made by religious factions

Last week the hotel owners acceded

to Ultra-Orthodox demands and

threats and discontinued the

meetings. The owners blamed the

The hotel was first vandalized and

then torched. A large contingent of

firefighters succeeded in controlling

the blaze before it spread to adjoin-

ultra-Orthodox for the fire.

ing buildings.

Arson linked to Tiberias hotel fire

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TIBERIAS. - Investigators have found evidence of arson in a fire that caused heavy damage to the Nitzan Hotel here last night.

The hotel had been the scene of weekly meetings by Christian missionaries which had drawn local residents and which Ultra-Orthodox elements had criticized vigorously.

Christian Arabs ask

that youth be drafted

ACRE (Itim). — A group of Christian notables from the North yesterday asked that the government impose the compulsory military service law on Israeli Christian Arab

The notables were meeting with the prime minister's adviser on Arab affairs, Benyamin Gur-Arye. He told them that if such youths came forward and asked to be inducted into the IDF, this would be looked on favourably, and those who were found suitable would be accepted.

Recently several young men from the Christian villages of Rama and Kafr Yasif in Galilee volunteered for the IDF. They are to be inducted soon.

Panel to find money. for Negev rail link The Ministerial Economic Com-

mittee yesterday decided that a special subcommittee from the Transport Ministry and the Treasury will examine ways of financing the establishment of a railroad line connecting the Dead Sea area with Eilat. The committee is to submit its recommendations by the end of April.

The ministerial committee also decided to establish a conveyer system near Sdom that will carry potash from the Dead Sea Works.

MEMORIAL. — A forest is to be planted overlooking the Ayalon Valley near Latrun in memory of former chief of staff Haim Laskov.

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HERBERT GAD KORNFELD 5-7

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Miriam (Miri) Kornfeld

Egypt-Jordan agreement marks end of trade boycot

AMMAN (Reuter). - Egypt. still technically on an Arab boycott list. yesterday signed a protocol with Jordan aimed at reviving economic Egypt. A meeting between I

ties between the two countries. The protocol is the first to be concluded since Jordan and most other Arab governments imposed an economic and political boycott on Egypt for signing the peace treaty with Israel in 1979.

Jordanian Trade and Industry Minister Walid Aussour and Egyptian Economy and Trade goods. Minister Mustapha Kamel Said made no reference to the boycott in their brief speeches at the signing of the protocol. But Said had earlier told reporters that the event marked the end of Jordan's boycott of

Moderate Arab leaders, inc King Hussein of Jordan, are to lift the Arab League b nian leader Yasser Arafat and tian President Hosni Muha Cairo on Thursday has be

terpreted as a step in that dire Details of the protocol we immediately available, bu Egyptian minister had stated that Jordan and Egypt had agr unlimited duty-free exchan

Egyptian officials sain protocol was advantageou Jordan's depressed economy onened a market of close to lion Egyptians for such Jone goods as refrigerators, stovetiles and cement.

Last Deir al-Kamar evacuees leave

Jerusalem Post Reporter

METULLA. - In the final phase of the evacuation of Deir al-Kamar over the weekend, some 1,500 civilians in more than 200 vehicles left the town in the Shouf and travelled to Beirut by way of Damour.

sed through the Druse village of Kfar Him. One evacuee was wounded. A total of 5,000 civilians and

The convoy was fired on as it pas-

1.500 Phalangists were broug of the town during the evacu which began early in the mon was overseen by the IDF, th Cross and the Lebanese

The IDF is continuing to north of the Awali.

Thousands of Christians a in Deir al-Kamar, but their sit now that the evacuation has completed is unclear.

U.S. OFFICIALS

(Continued from Page Oue) sive opposition among some senior policymakers, although they are understandably reluctant to go public in opposing a position which now has Reagan's personal backing.

"The president, unfortunately, is going to fall flat on his face again," one U.S. critic commented. "He's been sold another bill of goods." Israel has reacted angrily to this

abrupt shift in U.S. policy - as have its supporters in the organized Jewish community and elsewhere around the country. So far, however, there has been little outcry from Capitol Hill because of the holiday recess. The House of Representatives and Senate are scheduled to reconvene only at the end of January.

Reagan, in the weekend inter-

view, flatly rejected Israel's conten-

tion that Arafat's meeting last Thursday with President Hosni Mubarak represented a violation of the Camp David accords. "I don't think it was a violation," Reagan .In fact, other U.S. officials went one step further. They confirmed

Dominating official U.S. this fighting in Tripoli. is the clear conviction that remains the most popular P nian leader in the West Ban' Gaza and is the only Pales who can give a necessary gree: to Hussein to join the p

been badly weakened by

In short, the Americans b they need Arafat to revive talks. One U.S. official referr him as "our last hope." It was this attitude which ex

- at least partially - why the sought to facilitate a safe ev tion for Arafat and his men Tripoli last week. The Ame also cited humanitarian conce the civilian population of the Thus, Reagan administratic

ficials are willing to ignore Ar record of terrorism and his relationship with the Soviet L In justifying this approach, U ficials insisted that Mubaral other moderate Arab leaders. more likely to convince a serweakened Arafat to accep U.S.-sponsored peace process vice versa — namely, that F would succeed in radicalizing pro-American Arab leaders,

IRE OVER ARAFAT

(Continued from Page One) the Reagan-Shamir summit and the of the Reagan Plan would cor

that Washington had quietly en-couraged Mubarak to welcome

Arafat in Cairo, even though he had

grow from it. The source felt that Washington's openly approving attitude was definitely a key consideration in Cairo's decision to go ahead with the invitation to Arafat. An opposite approach by Washington might well have swayed Mubarak

against the meeting. Cabinet policymakers insisted there was no crisis in relations with Washington. On the contrary, the radiation of warmth from the Reagan-Shamir encounters still continued, they said. They hoped that both sides would want to limit the present tension to the specific issue of dispute — the Palestinian problem - and press ahead with

the other areas of cooperation. They believed this would be pos-

naught. They predicted King sein would once again refu: enter the peace process. Thu dispute between Israel and the over the implementation of Reagan Plan would rei hypothetical, as it has been

But these were hopes rather confident assessments, and the plainly concern in Jerusalem things might not work out quiconveniently.

For every official who seeks fort and succour in the upco. presidential election camp there is another who will recali relations between Washington Jerusalem plummeted to their le point during the Sinai Camp just before the November,

sible because the ostensible election. Arab workers reported staying illegally in TA

BAT YAM (Itim). — Twenty to 25 per cent of the 60,000 workers from the administered territories who work in the Tel Aviv area spend the night in the area although most lack permission. Tel Aviv police district commander Nitzav Avraham Turgeman said at a press conference here yesterday.

Turgeman said the police have been making selective checks in Arab residences two or three even-

ings per week. He said it is not to blame all of the Tel Aviv a crime problem on Arab worke Turgeman said the police be

there is no connection between various cases of missing childre different parts of the country. said: "There is no link between case of Nava Elimelech and the . 19 Shinting of the youth David Sterikovsky, there hasn't been any link fo between Nava Elimelech and f ny Katz in Haifa,"

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rdan agreem in pressure government dof trade in missing Argentinians was its tail. "I had thought it was welfare was it was a institutions

AVIV. Israelis who have lives among the 1,500 Jews missn Argentina complained yesterthat the government, probably political and economic reasons. not done all it could to save relatives or even to demand inhighon about them.

Wi Erlich, attorney for the lies, told reporters here that the in Ministry had had no cont plan for dealing with the issue ig the years the military junta in power. The ad hoc Knesset smittee which had been formed a summer (in the wake of the a lies appeal to the High Court ustice) to visit Argentina was given government backing

tow that there has been a low that the low government is ingating the crimes of the ould go there as an expression induity with the investigation, to recover something of the Let we have lost for not fulfillour obligations to our fellow " Erlich said.

leg read from testimony before national organizations by vicof the military junta. One ss said that Jewish men in one ne Argentine concentration s were asked each day whether in Argentina should be tor-They were beaten no matter

they answered. Another ss said he heard a dog barking neard someone tell the dog to

Jewish prisoner," the witness was quoted as saying.

Testimony was provided to the reporters by Garciela Geuna. formerly of Cordova, Argentina and now a law student in Switzerland who came to Israel to tell what happened during her two-year in-carceration. "We knew some of us would survive and promised each other that whoever survived would tell the tale," she said.

"They stripped us naked and tied us to metal beds where we got electric shocks, were kicked and were beaten. The worst torture, however, was the feeling of helplessness. We were not official prisoners with lawyers or with families who knew our whereabouts. Though we were only 20 kilometres from Cordova, we had disappeared from public view and could have been on another planet," Geuna said.

She said Jewish prisoners were not arrested because they were Jewish, but got worse treatment in the camps than did non-Jewish prisoners. "One officer even referred to himself as an inquisitor. They believed they were carrying out

God's will," she said. Erlich said he hopes the government will take advantage of the changed political situation in Argentina to make a greater effort to find out what has befallen the 1.500 missing Jews and to bring to Israel those who can still be saved, as well as the remains of those who have died.

ristmas celebrations pass peacefully

By HAIM SHAPIRO

Jerusalem Post Reporter aeli officials breathed a collecwasigh of relief last night as tmas passed without any inci-

": 131 to mar the holiday. varioups of Christian visitors rday toured Bethlehem where inonly reminder of the massed ds of Christmas Eve were the of debris being swept away by ation workers. Other groups, iding numerous UN soldiers Lebanon, toured Christian in Galilee.

note that the festivities are far from There remains the Orthodox stmas celebrated on January 6 rved on January 18 and 19. On

Thursday, the heads of the various Christian communities are due to attend the annual President's New Year's reception.

Visiting and local Christians for the most part expressed their satisfaction with arrangements, but some complained that the numerous sonic booms heard in Jerusalem seemed a bit inappropriate. Others noted that although they appreciated the special postal service in Bethlehem on Christmas Eve, they would have liked some other stamp than that offered, showing the Merkava tank.

Hundreds of pilgrims were reported at the shores of Lake Kinneret and the Jordan River on the occasion of the holiday.

uth in fair condition er mine explosion

By LIORA MORIEL Jerusalem Post Reporter
RSHEBA — A 15-year-old

lition in Soroka Hospital here PAPAT he stepped on a land mine reday morning on his way to ... at Moshav Neot Hakikar in idom basin. The youth was tak-I short cut between two fences n the mine blasted his right leg. was taken to hospital by bers of the moshav.

... Irlier this year, two men at near-Aoshav Ein Tamar were injured n they went over mines in their tors. The mines were believed ave been placed by the Israel ence Forces years ago against orist infiltration.

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multi-racial group of South cans is participating in a 10-day nsive course in active comnications and learning through na, being held at Moshav Neve near Jerusalem.

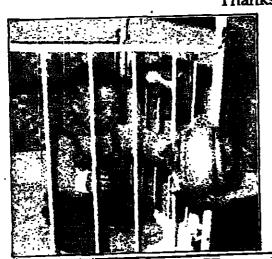
wenty-eight men and women, uding teachers and trainers in mercial and industrial enteres, are participating in the rse, directed by Mark Rittenadjunct professor of comnications at the University of Francisco.



This menora-shaped logo, with the heading "Year of Israel's Unity," was chosen by the Ministerial Committee on Symbols and Ceremonies for the 36th Independence Day on May 7. It was designed by Jerusalem artist Natan Karp.

BENEFIT. - A four-piece countryrock band from the USS Trenton, docked in Haifa for repairs, will perform at 8 p.m. Thursday at the Carmiel Community Centre in a benefit concert for the Carmiel Mesorati (Conservative) congregation's synagogue building fund. كون خصور كيون وكون خصور محصور

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institutions

By CHARLES HOFFMAN Jerusalem Post Reporter

The institutions operated by the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs "are on the verge of a catastrophe, and the system will start collapsing within 48 hours," ministry director-general Asher Ohayon warned last night.

He said there was no progress yesterday towards a resolution of the wage demands of the ministry staff, and that the 100,000 children and adults served by ministry institutions will soon find themselves out in the street. Sanctions by the staff have prevented the suppliers of these institutions from being paid, and they are about to run out of food and fuel. Ohayon said that he received

"dozens of cables" yesterday from directors of day-care centres. homes for the aged and the retarded, and boarding schools saying that their situation is desperate. He said that the staff committee turned down a special request to continue funding the institutions for the retarded, which house 10,000 people.

Minister of Labour and Social Affairs Aharon Uzan yesterday uppealed to the Ministerial Economic Committee to approve bringing the wages of the ministry staff into line with the increments awarded several months ago to Health Ministry administrative workers. If all else fails, the heads of the ministry are still considering issuing back-to-work orders to select

ministry institutions from closing. Three urgent motions for the agenda will be discussed this week in the Knesset on the deteriorating situation in the ministry institutions.

groups of workers to prevent the

English-language poets group to meet

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. - The 10th anniversary of the founding of the Voices group of Israeli poets writing in English will be marked by the municipality with a meeting in Town Hall tomorrow evening at 7.30.

The group was founded in Haifa by Leslie Summers, then a new immigrant poet from England, who invited poets writing in English to a meeting through the Readers' Letters column of The Jerusalem Post. The group now has 120 members and its magazine sells some 500 copies. Poems from it are included in Israeli and foreign anthologies. The magazine accepts all poems, with the exception of "obscenities, smut and pornography," for con-

sideration by the editorial board. The Voices group holds monthly meetings in the three main cities and occasional gatherings in other

The group's main problem is lack of funds, and all efforts to get support from foundations, institutions or governmental agencies have so far been unsuccessful.

Zipori aide: Bigger Volvo is better

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Communications Minister Mordechai Zipori is being chauffeured in a new 2,000-cc. engine Volvo, even though the government's committee on vehicles has not approved its purchase.

Zipori, according to Israel Radio, previously used a Volvo with a 1,800 cc. engine, which was purchased two-and-a-half years ago. The new car is larger and considerably more expensive than that allowed by government regulations.

Ministry spokesman Zecharia Mizrotsky said that the old car suffered from regular breakdowns, and that the minister travels for business a great deal. Thus, he reasoned, the larger-engine Volvo will actually save the state money.

Katzav won't contest aliya department post

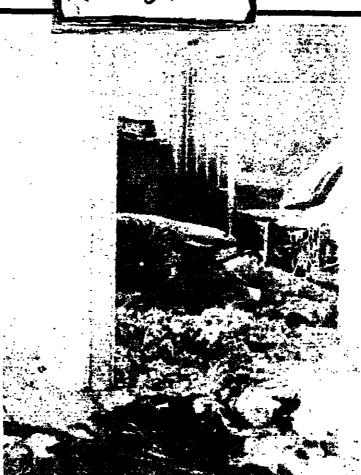
Jerusalem Post Reporter Deputy Construction and Hous-

ing Minister Moshe Katzav has decided not to be a candidate for the post of chairman of the Jewish Agency's aliva department.

Katzav, whose assistants last week called newspapers to promote the deputy-minister's candidacy, told Jewish Agency Executive chairman Arye Dulzin that he was not interested in the job. Over a week ago, Dulzin had called Katzav to propose that Katzav - a prominent member of Herut - try to win Herut's nomination for the job, which was vacated by Raphael

Kotlowitz. Katzav did not make public his reasons for declining the proposal, but he reportedly wants to see what changes will take place in his ministry if and when Construction and Housing Minister David Levy succeeds in being named foreign minister.

TOMATOES. - Two hundred and fifty crates of tomatoes were stolen over the weekend from the field of a member of Moshav Mivtahim in the Negev. The farmer told police that 230 empty crates were also stolen from the same field yesterday. The police have begun an investigation.



The body of 77-year-old Yakub Musa, guard at Jerusalem's Franciscan cemetery, lies where he was murdered on Christmas Evc.

Guard stabbed to death at Franciscan cemetery

By ROBERT ROSENBERG Jerusalem Post Reporter

A 77-year-old man was brutally beaten and stabbed to death early yesterday during an apparent robbery attempt at his one-room house on Jerusalem's Mt. Zion.

Yakub Musa, the guard since 1967 at the Franciscan cemetery on Mt. Zion, was found dead amidst the scattered rubble of his possessions, torn apart by robbers searching for valuables.

Police were at a loss yesterday to determine what the robbers expected to find in the man's house a one-room building at the top of the sloping cemetery overlooking the Hinnom Valley.

On the scene yesterday was a mobile police lab. Its technicians had a hard time finding fingerprints amid the debris of the struggle that apparently took place during the murder. Bloodsoaked feathers ripped out of pillows, upturned drawers from a chest of clothing. smashed dishes and glassware, all littered the tiny room where the man had lived.

Brother-in-law's killer gets life imprisonment

TEL AVIV (Itim). - Avner Jibli, 22, yesterday was convicted in the district court here of murdering his brother-in-law, taxi driver Danny Oren, and was sentenced to life imprisonment.

Jibli shot Oren twice with a pistol in his cab in September 1982. In establishing a case of first-degree murder, the prosecution cited various conflicting accounts of the crime by Jibli, as well as the fact that Jibli fled to Eilat in an attempt to escape the country.

Jihli's two sisters, Ronit, 25, and Nava, 26, are under indictment as accessories after the fact. The prosecution has accused them of washing Jibli's bloodstained clothes after the murder and accompanying him to Eilat.

HOME CARE. - The 18 follow-up cancer-treatment units of the Kupat Holim Clalit health insurance fund treated 4,150 bed-ridden patients at home during 1983, for a total of 12.650 visits.

AKIM opens annual drive for the mentally retarded

By JUDY SIEGEL Jerusalem Post Reporter

Projects for the benefit of the mentally retarded costing about \$2 million, much of a donated by Jews from abroad, are now being constructed or completed around the country by AKIM, it was announced vesterday at the annual ceremony opening the organization's "Roof for the Mentally Handicapped" campaign.

The campaign opens on Wednes-

Among the projects is Beit AKIM in Tel Aviv, which will be opened today at a ceremony attended by Mayor Shlomo Lahat, In addition, a sophisticated day centre for Arab retarded will soon open in Kafr Kanna Five day care centres for small children now being built in Neuvot, Beit Shemesh, Bat Yam and Petah Tikva will accommodate 150 retarded youngsters.

Another recent project is an advisory service for the parents of newborn mentally handicapped children. Parents with older retarded children counsel families immediately after the first shock of being informed about the disability of their babies, offering encouragement and the benefit of their own experience

AKIM is also encouraging more retarded people to take part in sports Eight Israeli athletes with mental handicaps recently took part in an Olympics for the retarded in Louisiana, returning with eight medallions, including several gold

medals. At vesterday's ceremony, held at Beit Hanassi, President Chaim Herzoa called on the public to contribute generously to the association for the retarded, despite economic circumstances which have made it more difficult for many to give. Herzog presented a cheque for 1812,000 to AkIM's chairman

Yitzhak Genegar The president noted that every society can be judged by its treatment of its weakest elements - the old, the helpless and the different. Israel is one of the few countries whose national ethos contains the ideal of sanctity of human life, he

Herzog added that Israeli society still has to rid itself of some of its misconceptions about the retarded, many of whom can be well integrated into Israeli life

Deputy Labour and Social Affairs Minister Ben-Zion Rubin said that governement bedget cutters often view programmes for the handicapned as "saperfluous and the first to go," when required to reduce spending. This, he said, must not be allowed to happen.

Over 250 guests, including donors from abroad, attended the ceremony, which opened and closed with songs performed by a choir of handicanned children

Railway employees cut strike short

By DAVID RUDGE Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. - Train services throughout the country will be back to normal today following a decision by the 1,000 Israel Railways employees in the North to call off

their scheduled three-day strike. The strike, which brought passenger services throughout the country to a standstill yesterday (with the exception of the single return train from Jerusalem to Tel A viv) and also stopped freight services in the North, was to have gone on for another two days.

The decision was made at a meeting between the works committee and the representatives of the Haifa Labour Council vesterday afternoon.

The committee was told that the Civil Servants Administration had agreed to some of the workers' demands for various wage increments including upgrading and bonuses

They were promised that a special committee of the Histadrut and Finance Ministry would meet [cial principles.

on Thursday to thrash out their other demands for an overall 30 per cent wace rise and a change of ownership of the railways. The employees are in favour of proposals to take Israel Railways out of covernment ownership and put it into the hands of a private

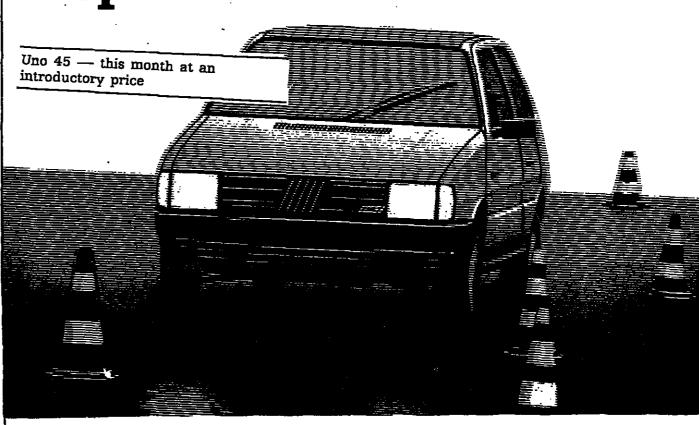
Management warned the employees that their wages would he docked.

Financial body set up by Moshav Movement

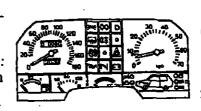
TEL AVIV (lum). - The Moshav Movement has set up a body to give financial management services to moshusim and economic enterprises of the movement. The new body is headed by Reuven Kushnir.

The unit will be examining all aspects of moshav financial decisions from family-owned businesses to larger enterprises. It will help in planning new investments, oversee projects and establish sound finan-

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Youth Tourney

By PAUL KOHN

Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. - The 7th five-nation

youth soccer tourney kicks off in

Petah Tikva on Tuesday, with the

participation of teams from Greece,

Rumania, Sweden, Switzerland and

Israel. The competition will be on a

league basis, the opening day's

games being between Swegen

against Rumania at noon and Israel

against Switzerland at 2 p.m., both

games to be played at the Hapoel

studium in Petah Tikva. Entry will

The last time this end-of-year

tourney took place was two years

ago, the war in Lebanon preventing

teams from abroad coming here last

year. Cup holders Portugal did not

come this year for financial reasons.

FA secretary general Yaacov Frei

Twenty-five countries, including

Egypt, were invited to send teams of

players aged 16 to 18, but the tour-

nes here competed with a simplar south event in Moscow, in weigh

eight countries will be participating.

All the visiting teams will be ac-

commodated at the Shefayim guest

house, where a New Year's Eve

National youth team coach

Shmuel Periman said he has been

preparing a corps of 24 youth

players for this tourney for the past

three months. We need to develop

our youth football much Abre

seriously than hatherto." Perlman

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Post Sports Staff

AFULA. - The career of Itamar

Marzel, captain of the Afula and

Israel basketball squads for several

years, came to a fitting climax on

Saturday night, when Afula

defeated an Israeli team 96-95 in a

testimonial match in honour of the

brilliant playmaker. Marzel, 32, has

decided to lay up his basketball

shoes in National League games.

Haudine of the most-sagacious facti-

cians ever to represent his country,

Marzel played for Israel 140 times,

including five European cham-

In Saturday's festival game, Afula

were reinforced by Migkey Berkowitz, and won a real thaller

96-95, with Berkowitz scoring 22

points. But top scorer in the match

MELBOURNE (Reuter). -

Sweden are gambling on Joakim

Nystrom in the Davis Cup final

beginning here today, while

Australian captain Neale Fraser is

pinning his hopes on Pat Cash and

John Fitzgerald, who played the

singles in the semi-final victory over

France, desnite considerable dif-

ficulties with Cash because of his

Nystrom, who surprised e en himself when he won the New South

Wales Open title last week, will line

up with Mats Wilander in today's

opening singles matches. He was

chosen ahead of the much more ex-

perienced Anders Jarryd on the

strength of his vastly improved form

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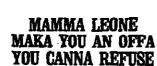
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WORLD NEWS

1,000 Nazi collaborators said living in Canada

home to more than 1.000 Nazi collaborators who should be rooted out and brought to justice, says the author of a book about the first alleged war criminal ever extradited from this country.

Helmut Rauca, accused of assisting in the killing of more than 11.500 Lithuanian Jews during World War II, died in a Frankfurt prison hospital last October while awaiting trial.

Reporter Sol Littman, who nieced together the Rauca story by interviewing Holocaust survivors from Tel Aviv to Toronto and talking to Nazi hunters in both Germanys, says there are still 1.000 Nazi collaborators living undisturbed in Canada.

"They are from countries where nationalists collaborated with the Nazis — from the Baltic countries,

TORONTO (Reuter). — Canada is Slovaks and Croats. They range from the mayors of towns where Jews were persecuted to people in auxiliary police forces and murder squads," he said.

He said that in the Cold War years of the 1940s, "the secret services of Britain and the U.S. competed to recruit these people and appealed to other governments to let them in.'

Littman said: "Canada took in a number of people who the Britishand U.S. secret services wanted to warehouse for future use. They came in under false pretences."

He added: "Canada's War Crimes Act should be amended to permit civilian trials. The trial procedure is essentially military at present and that offends people."

"We need a special division set up in or alongside the Mounties which would be similar to the U.S. Justice Department group whose Ukrainian areas, Galicia, the sole task is to hunt down Nazi criminals and collaborators and deprive them of their citizenship."

In his book, War Criminal on Trial, Littman alleges that SS Master Sergeant Helmut Rauca was a sinister and deeply feared figure among the 30,000 Jews crammed into the ghetto of Kaunas, a Lithuanian industrial city, who did his work so well that only three children were left alive there by the end of his reign as "Jewish affairs

They say he stood in the Kaunas main square, with a wire-tipped whip in one hand and a straining Alsatian in the other, and personally chose 9,200 "useless mouths" who were taken away and never seen

in "Operation Intellectuals," 534 people were detained at random and shot. During "Operation Valuables," when Jews were asked to hand in all their personal riches, one eyewitness saw him shoot dead lying in his backyard.

The most heart-breaking roundup was "Operation Children" when, Littman said, "Younger children were hidden in closets, attics and basements while their parents were at work"

"If their cries didn't betray them, Dobermans and Alsatians smelled out their hiding places," he writes.

In a scene reminiscent of the agonizing decision faced by a Polish woman in the novel and film Sophie's Choice, he describes how one young mother pleaded with the Gestapo man riding shotgun on his truck to give back her two babies.

The Gestapo man offered to hand just one over. The woman, unlike the character played by Meryl Streep in the film, was unable to choose and "she climbed on to the truck and rode to her death with her

Andropov health mystery may be resolved today or tomorrow

leadership meetings this week are expected to offer new clues about the health of President Yuri Andropov and his hold on power in the Kremlin.

Andropov, 69, is due to chair a plenum of the Communist Party Central Committee either today or tomorrow and should be present at a session of the Supreme Soviet (parliament) on December 28.

If he attends either of the two gatherings, due to approve the 1984 economic plan, it would be his first public appearance for four months

ROME (AP). - Kidnappers on

Christmas Eve freed an heiress of

Italy's internationally famous

Bulgari Jewelry store and her teen-

age son, whose ear they had cut off

as a warning and left in a trash can,

A top official at a private Rome

hospital said early yesterday that

doctors will attempt to re-attach the

severed right ear of 16-year-old

Giorgio Calissoni, which was cut off

in a "rough manner" sometime last

"From a medical point of view it

is possible. It has been done in the

past," the official at Paideai Clinic

said in an interview at the medical

facility. The ear has been kept in a

Doctors at the clinic said Giorgio

has developed a slight infection in

the wound and that they expected

PARIS (AP). - The French

Foreign Ministry announced yester-

day that three French diplomats

had been ordered to leave Iran in

the latest phase of a diplomatic tug-

of-war between the two countries.

On Friday, the French an-

nounced they were closing the

Islamic Centre in Paris and planned

to expel three Iranians employed by

the Iranian Embassy here for ac-

tivities "incompatible with their

diplomatic status" - presumably

Earlier this month, the Iranians

LONDON (Reuter). — Iran said at

least six people were killed and 53

wounded yesterday by a single Iraqi

long-range missile fired at the

The Iranian national news agency

IRNA, received here, said the mis-

sile had destroyed 20 houses in the

town, in Khuzestan province about

170 kilometres from the Iraqi

shot down one of their own fighter

planes near the border.

Iraq reported that Iranian forces

The Baghdad communique said

southern Iranian town of Masjed

Soleyman.

shut down two French cultural in- drugs.

Iran says Iraqi missile killed six

to operate on him in a few days.

freezer at the clinic.

police said.

week.

Italian kidnappers release

jewelry heiress and son

Iran will expel French diplomats

MOSCOW (Reuter). - Two Soviet and effectively curtail speculation that he is too ill to carry out his

> But if Andropov misses the meetings, doubts about his condition are bound to intensify and some western diplomats believe there will be pressure within the party for him to stand down.

The two gatherings are normally routine events but they do offer a platform to announce changes in the ruling Politburo and the govern-

Diplomats consider such moves

They said Giorgio's mother, 56-

year-old Anna Bulgari Calissoni,

suffered no physical injuries but was

Giorgio and his mother in the clinic,

hundreds of policemen with dogs

searched the area south of Rome

where the two had been freed by the

Carmine Punzi, the family's

lawyer, was quoted by the Italian

news agency ANSA as admitting a

ransom had been paid. But he said it was "way below" the reported

figure of 4 billion lire (\$2.4 million).

spent most of the time in captivity

outdoors in freezing weather, blind-

folded and with ear plugs. They

were frequently forced to make

long walks at night and "never ate a

hot meal" during their ordeal, he

stitutes housed at the Egyptian Em-

bassy in Teheran, Iranian Prime

Minister Mir-Hossein Moussavi

said on Teheran Radio that the ex-

pulsion of the three French

diplomats was a reaction to the

French government's "criminal

acts" against Iranian students and

Meanwhile, Teheran Radio

other Iranian nationals in France.

reported that 16 people were ex-

ecuted in Iran at dawn yesterday

after being convicted of supplying

and distributing narcotics, par-

ticularly heroin, and setting up an

international gang to smuggle the

Iranian forces had shot down the

plane, "which proves the state of

confusion and fear prevailing over

MERIT. - Jeanne Sauve, 61, ap-

pointed last week as Canada's first

woman governor-general, says she

believes merit and not sex was

the prime issue in choosing who

should replace former governor-

general Ed Schreyer. She was the

first woman speaker of the Cana-

dian House of Commons in 1980.

the Iranian army.'

Punzi told ANSA that the pair

As police officials questioned

still in a state of shock.

abductors.

unlikely at present following Andropov's long absence.

But they added that if the

Kremlin chief did manage to bring supporters into the top ranks of the leadership it would be a sign that he had strengthened his political power despite his illness.

Andropov has not been seen in public or by western visitors since August 18. Official reports that he is suffering only from a cold have been ridiculed in the western press.

Soviet officials admitted last summer that the president suffered a kidney problem and most western commentators believe this may have been the cause of his long

The Soviet leader looked haggard and needed support when walking during his last public appearances in the summer.

But a rough assessment of his present condition will be possible only if he attends the Supreme Soviet. which is relayed on television and open to the foreign press.

The Central Committee meeting which precedes it is held behind closed doors and not even Soviet photographers are admitted.

Pope's Yule message raps arms race

VATICAN CITY (AP). - Pope John Paul II, in his Christmas Day message to the world, strongly attacked arms spending and called for dialogue to find "equitable and honourable" solutions to tensions.

He asserted that "enormous sums" being spent on weapons deprive the starving people of food and "make ever more threatening the clouds gathering on the horizon of humanity."

The pope delivered his Urbi et

Orbi (To the City and the World) message and Christmas greetings to 50,000 pilgrims in 43 languages from the balcony over the main entrance of St. Peter's Basilica,

John Paul began his greetings in Italian and ended in Polish. The ceremony was telecast live to more than 30 countries in Europe, Asia, Africa and Latin America, but as in the past four years, it was not relayed to Poland or any other Communist country.

FOREIGN MINISTRY

(Continued from Page Oue)

prepared by its intelligence research centre, go directly to the prime minister and to certain other ministers. Centre head Yitzhak Oron often reports to Shamir. Under previous premiers, neither the ministry's papers nor its top staf-

are transmitted directly to the prime minister.

Some top officials believe this situation could quickly change for the worse if another minister is appointed to head the Foreign Ministry. The direct link to the

premier would be severed. But others feel the absence of a foreign minister is not the key factor here. Rather it is Shamir's personal inclination to give serious weight to the policy-input of the Foreign Ministry. This need not necessarily change if another minister is ap-

pointed. Shamir is widely and reliably reported to be reluctant to appoint either of the present candidates, Herut's David Levy or the Liberals' Yitzhak Modai.

There was obvious bitterness in the top echelons of the Foreign Ministry that Ben-Meir's resignation had resulted in reports which had denigrated the status of the ministry as a whole. There was talk of "sour grapes" on Ben-Meir's part. And there were insistent rumours that the deputy minister had quit for pressing personal reasons, and not, as he insisted, primarily so as to devote more time to his party, the National Religious

Party. Top officials noted that it was

"always easy" to find persons at the ministry who were frustrated, personally, professionally, or politically, and who would readily project from their own subjective feelings onto the functioning of the ministry Other observers noted, too, that

fers had such direct access or fre- much sapping of the ministry's quent exposure. · Recommendations and of its officials had been achieved proposals evolved at the daily ses- under Shamir by a string of infelicitous political or politicallymotivated appointments to key diplomatic postings abroad. In certain cases, experienced and suitable in-house candidates were shunted aside in favour of palpably unsuitable nominees.

Coupled with this is a yawning ideological gulf that divides many of the ministry's senior men from the Weltanschauung of the minister (now the prime minister). While premier Menachem Begin was in power, his immediate coterie would incessantly dwell on these ideological differences, dismiss the notion of an apolitical civil service, and disparage the entire Foreign Ministry as "Mapainiks."

Top officials at the ministry said at the weekend it was entirely appropriate for Abba Eban MK (Alignment-Labour), as the opposotion foreign affairs spokesman, to cast strictures on the Foreign Ministry. (Eban has tabled a motion for the Knesset agenda on the situation in the ministry.)

But, given the constant preeminence of defence-related thinking throughout Israel's history, and the consequent importance of the defence establishment in policymaking, the objective status of the Foreign Ministry today, relative to most periods in the past, was satisfactory, these officials said.

Locals on the run

By JACK LEON Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Hebren University student Dam-ny Febenstein. 26, a recent intuigrant from London, was the second fastest largelt finisher after Yair Karni in last week's Sea of Galilee International Marathon. Februstein cheked 2.28.41 and came eighth among the 65, 3dd starters. Following him home among the innecompetitors were Ametal Almog (2.29.22) and Avi Appe (2.31.26), both of whom achieved their best times to date in spite of the difficult condi-

London-born stillete Sharon Shaw, 17, paniiog in her first maratho the good time of 4.28, to finish sixth among the

Imram is back

MELBOURNE (APL -- Pakisten's che ill-rounder Imran Khan will lead an injury-free side into the vital fourth Test against Australia at the Melbourne cricket ground starting today.
"Instea will definitely be in the side," mid Pakistan team manager latikhab Alam after a closed session at the MCG acts away from a points and media vesterday.

Bet lutikhab said latran, who has been

sidelined for four months because of a stress fracture in his left chiabone, would not bowl, only but and field.

Make or break

Post Sports Staff

The next eight days may mean make or break for many of England's soccer teams. Between today and next Tuesday, January 3, most of the 92 teams will play for crucial games. At the end of these games, promotion hopes and relegation fears will have crystallized into

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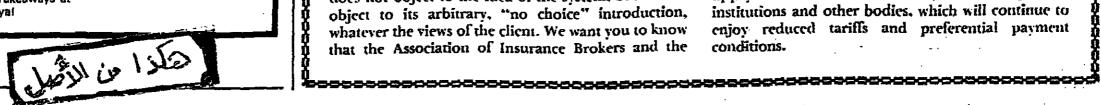
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The "cheque service" is discriminatory, since it will apply to individuals but not to companies. institutions and other bodies, which will continue to enjoy reduced tariffs and preferential payment conditions.



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Orrow

oho's design for an 11-storev s complex opposite the old are Zedek Hospital on Jaffa d is to be considered next week je local planning subcommittee. committee may be astonished ear that the capital's top planofficial, City Engineer Amnon not only supports the proposal relieves Jerusalem needs more

enst the logic of stone to use it in

Hing a high-rise office block

re you're just using it as a

wuch of Niv's department mently disagrees with him and anate conservatism hereabouts the proposal little prospect of ess. But it has raised one of the interesting architectural issues rusalem in years, one that has uch to do with philosophy as esthetics.

USALEMITES have been ling in stone for some 5,000 is because Nature said it made - it is the most readily able building material in the / surroundings. For the last 60 or so they have also built in because the law said they had he British decided to codify the tion of stone building out of - that the availability of modern rials might alter the cityscape. r bylaw was retained by the icipality after their departure, when regional quarries were

THE GLASS REVOLUTION

years Jerusalem was divided after 1948, and stone had to be brought in from Galilee.

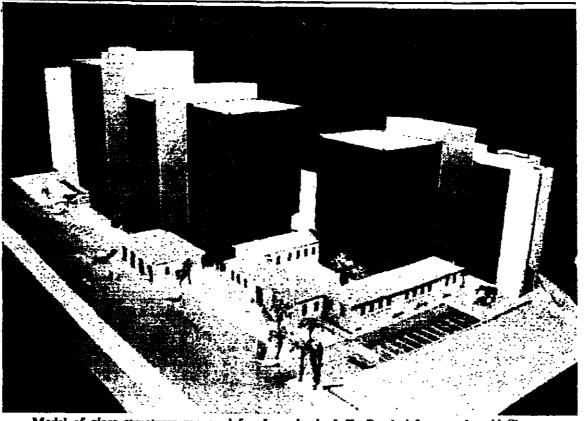
"Stone is what gives Jerusalem its character and its architectural unity," says Yisrael Kimche, head of the municipality's policy planning division. "It connects the city historically from antiquity to the present day. It gives unity despite the differences in style. Because of the limitations it imposes, even mediocre architecture is passable. Jerusalem is not a city of great architecture but of small ensembles built in stone and creating the general atmosphere."

After the Six Day War, the Housing Ministry decided to adhere to stone construction in the new neighbourhoods built on the periphery of the expanded city despite the 15 per cent increase in cost this entailed and the argument that these neighbourhoods were outside the historic confines of Jerusalem. "This saved the new neighbourhoods," says Kimche.

It was admiration for the past that motivated his choice of glass, says Molho, not modern modishness. The site he planned for the owners, the Rimonim Company, includes the Sephardi Old Age Home which the municipality has designated for preservation.

"I thought of glass because it is a material whose essence is derived from what is around it. It reflects and is transparent. It would enhance the old-age home by setting it off - preservation by con-

STONE in high-rise buildings is structurally absurd, says Molho, while materials like concrete and plaster are out of place in Jerusalem. That leaves glass. In ofBy ABRAHAM RABINOVICH/Jerusalem Post Reporter



Model of glass structures proposed for Jerusalem's Jaffa Road (left) opposite old Shaare Zedek Hospital. Stone columns between glass curtain walls would house elevator shafts. Low buildings comprise former Sephardi Old Age Home.

fice towers, glass is especially suitable, he says, because it permits the interiors to be rearranged to suit changing needs, with window space guaranteed in any configuration.

These arguments, and the prospect of seeing the project completed a year faster in glass than in stone, persuaded the developers to go with glass.

Unpersuaded, however, are the

bulk of the Jerusalem architectural community and the Council for a Beautiful Israel, whose Jerusalem branch has condemned the project. 'We're absolutely against changing the building language in Jerusalem from stone to glass," says branch chairman Shlomo Aaronson. Opponents point out that the site, located on the watershed passing through the city, is visible from Mar Elias

and Gilo six kilometres to the south and from Mount Scopus three kilometres east. The timed glass, they say, would constitute a dark and foreign "blob" on the cityscape. "It stands on the rim of a bowl that includes the government centre and university and it will draw attention to itself as if it were the most important building in the area," says a municipality planner.

that glass towers in Jerusalem, carefully placed, would not clash with the city's basic stone composition but enrich it. 'It you put a crystal-like needle in the middle of a low-rise, stone-built area it becomes a non-building," he says. "It would reflect what is around it - a heap of stone and in the middle a jewel."

Behind much of the opposition to any glass construction, he says, as the fear that if permitted it would get out of hand and be thrown up promiscuously. However, it could be controlled by designating, within the official city outline plan, the specific sites where glass construction is permitted.

Not just esthetics but changing technologies and the changing scale of building require rethinking of the stone-only concept in Jerusalem, says Niv. Plastering high-rise facades with stone as is presently done is "counterfeit," he adds, while office buildings and certain hotels would profit from more open facades than are available with conventional construction.

Opponents argue that the Molho proposal is being made at a time when glass buildings are going out of fashion around the world because of energy conservation. \ misunderstanding, says Molho. For one thing, many glass buildings are still heing built. For another, his building may look like an all-glass building because of its glass curtain wall, but in reality two-thirds of it the space between floors - is backed by insulation panels made of metal, plaster and other materials that make it more energy saving than a conventional construction.

OPPONENTS warn that putting up a glass building in a city where hombs go off is like going to war with an ambrella rather than a helmet "One hig explosion and the building will be naked." says Kimche.

In addition, maintenance problems may make the edifice an eyesore. All the glass is imported and large-scale breakage may constitute a problem. White stone

quent cleaning is necessary. The large and generally unkempt glass from of Binvenes Haluma's cited by opponents as an example of what is likely to happen with any glass structure in the city.

matures, glass gets dirty and fre-

In the end, it is not technical points but psychological factors that will decide the issue. David Fields, a Jerusalem Municipality planner, sees the city going through a midlife crisis = city-planning-wise = with the need to shed staidness for "shirts open to the navel to show you're still virile." Says he, "There's this feeling that the world is passing us by and that we've missed something. A few years ago it was high-rise huddings. We built a few and then sug with God, and calmed down. Note the same sort of thing is happening with glass, even though the rest of the world has stopped it. more or less?

The creeping glassification of Jerusalem has already began with the large classed areas of the tower next to the Hamashbir department store, and those planned for the tower being built at Zion Square. Several years ago plans were approved - but never implemented for a new hotel on the site of the old Fast Hotel opposite the Old City Wall at Zahal Square. It was to have had large glassed areas, and the philosophic justification was that they would reflect the stones of the walt. Fields repeats that he seethese projects as the "see-throughblouse" phase of mid-life self-

"Now we've summoned up the courage and want to go topless?

HARD to get up in the mornthese days without being ged by feelings of inadequacy, ngs that can be eased only by resence, at one's still-pyjamaed w, of teams of experts on - - an behaviour.

nese, as one brushes one's teeth. be there to advise and support ... problems such as leadership, cation, communication phobias, ningful posture, hydroponic king, creative divorce, inediate tap-dancing (as these

are being written, still crucial in America), obesity accepe, writer's block, sex, creative king, Jewish values, different sh values, still other Jewish es, ethnic self-imagery, creative mnia, consciousness lowering,
iii bilingualism, mix-'n'-match separates, defensive mysticism but why go on?

Go on we must, because ours is the age of experts. It is a mystery how the oafish, unqualified ordinary citizen manages to get his pants on in the morning unless he has a doctorate, or better yet, a doctor on the subject. ("Left vs Right: Symbolism and Sensitivity of the First Leg In"; "Shirt In-Tucking, Some Notes on Appearance and Reality"; "From Buttons to Zipper. Ying and Yang as a Basis for the History of Ping and Pang".)

Nor can it be all that easy for the experts themselves, who from time to time may be defeated by some speciality outside their ownspeciality. The male-female-role guidance expert, for instance, may

Age of experts

By HELGA DUDMAN/Jerusalem Post Reporter

washout on blowing his nose creatively. The time is thus probably ripe for an International Experts' Interplay Conference, to be held next spring in Jerusalem. Here, Ms. How-to-be-Lovable could engage in fruitful mutual exchange with Prof. How-to-sit-withyour-kid-in-kindergarten, Plumbers and electricians would be ineligible, since the world would still have tokeep running. (What would be the

Gaggle of Geese? A Quibble of Ex-

MY ONE sphere of expertise is blowing on a blade of grass and getting a piercing whistle - grass, that is, in the original, innocent, William Blake sense.

Actually, it's not my only expertise. I don't like to brag, but I can also wiggle my ears and have done so in academic circles on three continents. And without wrinkling the

forehead, a flaw which occurs below the MA level.

However, noting the importance of specialization in today's fragmented world, I would choose to participate in the Jerusalem Exnerts' Conference at the grasswhistling event. This is not an esoteric field, and I have come across other practitioners. But for those who do not quite understand and may wish an introductory survey,

here's what you do. tions is an undiluted pleasure.

With his stature as a cellist assured, one looks forward to the development of young Arnan's career as pianist, both in ensemble and in solo appearances.

RECITAL — Lawrence Cherney, oboe (Canada); Ruth Manyani, harp (YMCA Auditorium, Jerusalem, December 18). Handel: Sonaia; Britten: Suite for Harp Solo; Gelbrun; Aria ed 3 Framments per Obae ed Arpa (1981); Britten: 6 Metamorphoses after Orid; Bartok; Folksongs, arr. for Oboe and Harp; Ravel: Parane pour une infante defune.

A GOOD team-mate in an excellent ensemble does not necessarily make a good soloist. Mr. Cherney, a member of the York Wind Ensemble, which has visited Israel with great success, did not show any qualification for being a soloist no personal involvement was apparent, no lively, elastic interpretation, but above all, his performance is limited to a very small range of tone colours and dynamics.

The ohoe is one of the most elastic and expressive singing instruments, but none of its qualities was brought out in this recital. The harpiste, too, did not add any musical enjoyment: she attended to her parts with conscientious reliability, but no more.

The Suite for Harp Solo by Britten is a rather complex and difficult work; nevertheless, this reading fell far short of being considered even

satisfactory.
In addition, the poor soloist had to compete with the carillon, which was broadcasting Christmas tunes. and the noisy traffic outside. As if this were not enough, the hall was unheated and draughty, all of which added up to a rather unhappy affair.

Musically, the only compensation for the ordeal was the selection of Bartok's Folksongs, arranged for oboe and harp. In their short lines, they conveyed more beautiful music than other, more elaborate compositions. The piece by Arthur Gelbrun has to be heard in a more committed and involved presentation to be fully appreciated.

YOHANAN BOEHM

preferably unsprayed. The smaller, younger ones make higher squeaks. Now, place one end of blade firmly yet tenderly between A and B, the fatty portions at base of thumbs. Feel relaxed, yet tense. Next, insert tip of grass blade (CD) between tips of thumbs (MS). Grass must be free to vibrate in that little curvy place between thumbs, like a tiny violin string or a liberated woman, or an unstable dotted line. Grass must be disciplined, yet also ineffably sen-

sitive. Now blow. It probably won't work the first time, and maybe not even the 20th, in which case you will have to have a weekend of group training on the lawn. Please remember that I didn't get where I

First, import your instrument. It am without years of inner seeking should be a flawless blade of grass. and much blowing

But ah, the rewards' Nowaday: when I go piping down the valleys wild, a moties crowd materializes and follows bewitched, from tiny toddlers to dirty old men (It hanpened just this morning, really and

Expert grass-blowing provides us with models for Leadership, Workshop Encounters, Breathing, Thumb Therapy, Advanced Scene Making (Women Only) and Socio-Biology, though I am not positive about the last as it may already have

had its little day.

It may be pointed out that after you have blown on your grass, you may then chew on it. But this is a whole new kettle of perimeters and parameters.

MAGE A RUBINSTEIN — the Tel Aviv Quartet (Haim Tanh, Lazar Shuster, 1 Basyamini, Uzi Wiesei); with Poles nan, piano; Marcel Bergman, cello salem Theatre, December 21). Schumann: Quintet, op.44; Schubert: String Quintet

S CONCERT, on the first anrsary of Arthur Rubinstein's h, included two works close to late maestro's heart, and efore, was most suitable. The . neral March" in the Schumann. the many sad and exquisitely itative moments in the Schubert ted a special atmosphere, pararly since the artists involved sared to have the late, beloved ist in mind in their restrained, nate presentation.

s often happens on such occas, it seemed that there were e a few people in the hall who nded a concert for the first time. lause erupted at the wrong 's and coughing season was with ith a vengeance, not to speak of effects of children moving in out and people leaving early. usherettes did not even attempt naintain a sensblance of quiet order.



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Pnina Saltzman played her piano part so softly that her dynamics fitted perfectly into tonal balance with the strings, though one could not help but recall that the maestro performed the same part with much more gusto and healthy enjoyment.

Marcel Bergman, the second cello in the Schubert Ouintet, blended well with the rest of the ensemble. In particular, the slow movement and the indescribably beautiful slow Trio of the Scherzo were given a well-controlled reading that maintained the music's moody content throughout. The passages in which the composer burst out in anguish and dramatic passion found deeply involved commitment in the

The quartet has changed its second violinist and, at first hearing. he seems to be a good acquisition. But, somehow, the group sounded constrained and too careful to give the best we are accustomed to ex-

ISRAEL SINFONIETTA, Beershebs, Mendi Rodan conducting; with Homero Francesch. pinno (Conservatory Hall, Beersheba, December 22). Schubert: Symphony in D. No.3, D.200; Mendelssohn: Plano Concerto in D minor, No.2, opus 40, Manuel de Falla: Suite "El smor brajo."

IN ORDER not to miss this programme (another two concerts were scheduled concurrent with its presentation in Jerusalem), I had to go to Beersheba. But I don't regret. making the trip, because the Israel Sinfonietta has achieved a special standard of performance - not only in terms of the sine qua non of technical perfection, but also because with it there is always an atmosphere of enjoyable musicmaking. This time, too, enjoyment outweighed reservations, though the programme did not promise to be particularly exciting or attractive: a Schubert Symphony from the composer's younger days (1815) which is excellently constructed and full of melody but not musically enriching - a very unoriginal piano concerto and some lovely music but very much over-played. That notwithstanding, the news about an extraordinary pianist travelled quickly to Jerusalem, and thus one is ready for a pilgrimage to the

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digital brilliancy and poetic nature, TO SUCCESSFULLY present five which is exactly what Homero Francesch did with aplomb. His pleasant appearance and straightforward execution of a demanding part won an enthusiastic response from the audience. One would like to hear this artist in a musically

more challenging concerto. Mendi Rodan and his musicians read the Schubert Symphony with healthy vitality and obvious enjoyment accompanying the soloist in complete unanimity and producing a sparkling, rhythmically precise and exciting El amor brujo.

This ensemble deserves a much better venue for its concerts in Beersheba, and it is high time that the city fathers do something about YOHANAN BOEHM

ISRAEL PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA --- Eliaku lubal conducting; with Zehava Gal, mezzo-soprano (Maan Auditorium, Tel Aviv. December 28). Ami Ma'ayaal. "Quuman"; Ravel: "Sheherazade," (twee poems for soprano and orchestra; Tchaikovsky: Symphony No.5 in E minor, Op.64.

MA'AYANI'S QUMRAN draws its inspiration from the Dead Sea scrolls and the landscape of the Judean wilderness. Impressionist and nebulous, it offers repetitive prayerlike intonations, climactic orchestral figuration and widely spaced heterophonic textures. All contribute to a continously interesting, imaginative description of scenery and atmosphere. Conductor Inbal gave us, so it seemed, the most direct insight possible into the sources of Ma'ayani's inspiration.

No less pleasing were the Ravel songs, with their almost luscious treatment of sound and colour. Again, Conductor Inbal seemed completely absorbed and totally capable of relaying the composer's intentions. Zehava Gal contributed a mellow, well articulated voice and loving indentification with the text but she did not always affirm herself strongly enough vis à vis the orchestra.

Surprisingly something similar happened in the Tchaikovsky but this time between conductor and orchestra. Inbal seemed inspired to possess clear intentions, but the orchestra's response was halfhearted. The result was un-

forgivable negligence. The slow understanding of the master's intenmovement, however, was exquisite with Meir Rimon playing a flawless

ALL-BACH - Uzi Wiesel, cello; Arman Wiesel, piano (Turg Music Centre, Jerusalem — Ein Kerem, December 19), Sonata No. 1, in G; Toccata for plano la D; Sonata No. 3, in G; Solo Sulte No. 3, in C; Sonata No. 2, in

full-length works by Bach requires intellectual stamina and physical strength on the part of the performing artists, and unabating interest and concentrated listening on the part of the audience. These requirements were fulfilled all round, and the evening provided a feast of committed playing, excellent, clear readings of complex counterpuntal ingenuities and transparent dynamics to bring out all the various parts in their importance to the general texture.

Arnan Wiesel, at 22, follows in the footsteps of his father as a serious, devoted and reliable servant of music - and, it seems, with a particular understanding of Bach's art.

However, though technically brilliant in execution, the Toccata was played rather too quickly, and it was nterpreted by the young planist a bit too strongly and aggressively. The Toccata was written by Bach in the early period of his life and its freshness and somewhat simple writing may invite some boisterousness, but I doubt that the young Bach possessed the characteristics of a young sabra and that he would have played this piece in this manner.

The father-and-son team obviously spends a lot of time playing together and, consequently, the intertwining web of counterpuntal writing was brought out seamlessly and convincingly, with the pianist's temperament now strictly controlled and dynamics blended excel-

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The customer always pays in full

By MACABEE DEAN

Jerusalem Post Reporter TEL AVIV. - No matter how pricing policies and financial matters are juggled, in the final analysis the customer always pays the full price. This was the consensus that emerged from a study day yesterday, sponsored by the Federation of Israeli Chambers of Commerce. The emphasis was on department store and network sales, which account for 25 per cent of all retail business.

The speakers were Shai Mayer, head of the Shalom department store, David Weinshal, head of Supersol, Shmuel Eyal, head of Hamashbir Lazarchan, Alex Alon. head of Teta (a distributor of Ata and Lodzia textiles), and Simha Rotem, head of the Jerusalem Zarchaniot (cooperative) chain.

It was noted that sales had dropped off by about ten per cent in November and that retailers passed on to customers the huge sums it took to cover their credit costs.

Shoplifting, thefts by employees and passing of bad cheques had risen by about 25 per cent lately, the merchants said. Although they had no figures on the amount of badcheques being passed, they said that thievery accounted for one per cent of turnover.

Alon noted that "it was kids from

By MACABEE DEAN

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. - Israel is facing an

economic crisis of such magnitude

that it may actually endanger its

social and defence structure, Prof.

Haim Ben-Shahar said yesterday.

The former president of Tel Aviv

University and the first incumbent

of the newly established chair of

Economic Policy at the university

was speaking during the inaugura-

Ben-Shahar added, however, that

"if we realize the seriousness of the

situation, and mobilize all our

resources, we can still overcome the

crisis and begin to stride ahead

To do this, he said, the Gross

National Product (GNP) must be in-

creased by 27 per cent over the next

four or five years and most of the

additional production must be

directed to exports. If this were done

the present standards of living could

be resumed. But for the next few

years private consumption public

services and even security outlays

In opening his lecture, Ben-

Shahar discussed two distinct year

periods, the eleven years preceding

the Yom Kippur War and the eleven

must be cut considerably.

tion ceremony.

again.'

Ben-Shahar: 27% growth of

GNP needed to beat crisis

well-to-do families who were caught when we recently opened an outlet in Herzliya," There was little that could be done to these youngsters, who were in the 12-14 year bracket, but "when their parents got caught at Marks & Spencer in London, the situation was different. There they faced imprisonment.

Rotem thought that the problem arose from a popular misconception. "Plenty of persons think stealing from a network is not stealing at all, for no individual suffers, only an anonymous network."

The merchants also complained about the oft-repeated idea that "industry is holy, for it produces; merchandizing is a form of parisitism."

The industrialists had latched on to this idea, they said, explaining day and night that "exporting is good, importing is bad." When one branch of industry — textiles — got into financial trouble, the solution was not to make this branch more efficient, but to curtail imports.

After the flow of foreign merchandise stopped, the Israeli industrialists continued to produce non-competitive goods - while raising prices, since they had the market to themselves.

Mayer pointed out that "merchandizing plays a great role in

years following it. In the first period

(1962 through 1972) the GNP grew

by 162 per cent; in the second

period (1973 through 1983), the

GNP grew by only 39 per cent.

Private consumption, however.

grew by 44 per cent per head in the

first period, but only by 33 per cent

The big difference, he stressed.

was that in the first period, despite

the higher private consumption.

there was enough left over to em-

bark on many national projects

which helped generate economic

growth. In the second period

private consumption ate up

everything, leaving nothing for

thus in the first period govern-

ment services, such as education

and health, were increased con-

siderably and security outlays grew

sevenfold. In the second period, not

only were public services reduced,

but the country increased its foreign

debt as well as its adverse balance of

trade, and inflation ran wild. The

last three years of the second period

witnessed the fastest deterioration

in the situation, For the first time

the country faced a shortage of

foreign currency to finance the

growing adverse balance of trade,

in the second.

national objectives.

advancing industrial production. We set the standards of quality and we force the industrialists to produce high-quality goods. And when they do produce them, they are able to export much easier." He thought that manufacturing and merchandizing were not enemies, but comrades-in-arms, who had to work together for the common Weinshal pointed out the in-

herent error in the government's

policy of price fixing. "What actual-

ly happens," he noted, "is that if we

fail to make a profit on price-

controlled goods, we simply raise

the price of other goods. In the end,

the customer forks over the same

amount of money. There are no pa-

tents for reducing prices by govern-

Eyal noted that "anyone who

wants to be wise will do his winter

shopping for next winter (that of

1984/85) today. Prices are low to-

day. By next winter, salaries will

have eroded considerably and

prices will be higher. The customer

will then be caught in a double

Solid guarantees

for solar heaters

Jerusalem Post Reporter

published by the Ministry of In-

dustry and Trade say that the

manufacturers of solar water

heaters shall be responsible for the proper operation of the collectors

and heating tanks for three years.

A statement released by Isol, the

representative organization of the

five large solar water heater

manufacturers, says that the three-

year warranty period was adopted

on its recommendation. The five

member firms of Isol are Electra, Amcor Herout, Lordan, and

Isol claims that the three-year

period is reasonable, and that the

"small, marginal" manufacturers

who offer longer warranty periods

The regulations stipulate that if a

unit malfunctions during the war-

ranty period, the firm that sold it

shall be responsible for paying the

costs of dismantling it, shipping it

back to the manufacturer and re-

The manufacturer shall be

responsible for repairing the unit

and providing all parts required to

fix it, including those made by sub-

Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher

said that she does not

like Britain's new one pound sterl-

ing coin and indicated a change of

heart over plans to phase out the

"don't live up to their promises."

New regulations soon to be

ment decree."

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assembling it.

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The five-door Fura sedan.

New Fura model launched by Seat

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The importers of the Spanish car manufacturer Seat yesterday presented here the Fura model, claiming that it was the cheapest car of its kind in Israel. The three-door, four gear Fura costs \$6,631 (not including the compulsory loan for one year). The comparable Fiat 127 costs \$7,995 (without the loan) but has a 1,050cc engine, while the Fura's is 903cc.

Seat agents Avraham Dar and Rami Ilyn said that some 1.3 million of first models of this car had been sold since it was launched in Spain

in 1981. The version to be marketed here has various improvements, such as a front-wheel drive, they ad-

Seat has sold some 1,600 of its Ronda model in Israel since it began marketing them in May, Ilyn

His company has suffered a 30 per cent drop in sales since Sentember, but that was less than the 50 per cent overall drop in car sales in the country. Some people who had planned to buy bigger cars settled for smaller models, he explained.

Two-year bank shares plan for pensioners out this week

By MACABEE DEAN Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. - The commercial banks have received authorization from the Treasury to open two-year savings schemes for those persons who were of pension age on October 6, 1983 and who then possessed bank shares which the government has undertaken to redeem. The official forms are expected to be available this week.

To qualify, a man must have been 65 or more on October 6, and a woman 60 or more. A husband and wife who are both pensioners and have a joint account can each set aside for two years a sum of IS500,-000 in bank shares at the October 6 rate. At the end of two years they will receive the dollar value of October 6, plus a total of six per cent dollar interest. If the pensioners want, they can also renew the savings scheme for another two or four

The same applies to joint ac-

The small, gold-coloured coin, in-

troduced earlier this year, has not

found favour with most people.

counts held by an aged parent and a son or daughter below pension age.

The problem arises if a couple

with a joint account had more than IS500,000 on October 6, and if one person was of pension age, and the According to the spokesman of

one bank, the pensioner can close up IS500,000 for two years, but his younger spouse will have to opt for the four or six year plan. However, it is believed that if the couple had IS500,000 or less on October 6, and if only one was of pension age, the entire sum can be closed up.

Banking circles point out that the two-year scheme will more than double the value of the bank shares at today's prices, "and there is no better investment available today."

However, any pensioner who bought bank shares after October 6 cannot avail himself of the two-year scheme, but will have to wait five years until he can redeem them. Banking circles point out that even so, this is one of the best investments available today.

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Your money & your question (il sh

By JOSEPH MORGENSTERN Post Finance Reporter

OUESTION: I am an American citizen and a new immigrant since 1981. Every month I receive my American Social Security cheques. Is it possible to exchange part of these cheques into shekels and part into dollars for placement in my patah ac-

ANSWER: According to foreign currency regulations you may maintain a free foreign currency account. Your U.S. Social Security cheques are in U.S. dollars and you may therefore deposit them in your dollar account. From this account you may convert any sum into

OUESTION: "How does the fact that your shekel is now worth only \$0.01 affect the average Israeli's life?"' asks an American reader.

ANSWER: It has been pointed out by economists that the Israeli currency has been overvalued in terms of the dollar. This overvaluation has a negative impact on Israel's balance of payments. It means that it is relatively easy to import goods, while it makes exports less profitable. In 1983, so far, the shekel has been devalued by more than 210 per cent. In the past three months the shekel has been devalued by more than 50 per cent. all with a view of facilitating exports and making imports more expensive, and therefore less desirable. Through this policy the Treasury hopes to improve Israel's balance of payments.

OUESTION: How does indexing work and what is its effect on the citizens, asks another American

ANSWER: Indexing is the adjusting of salary payments to certain changing conditions. In the case of wages, employees strive to preserve the buying power of their money. In a highly inflationary situation, if a wage earner receives a net monthly salary of, let us say, 1530,000, its buying power goes down if inflation that month is 20 per cent. Periodic upward adjustments of wages in accordance with the cost-of-living in- | banks which affect the clien

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in the case of real estate : tions prices are mostly qu dollars. Let us say a person contract to sell his apartir the equivalent in shekels of : At the time the contract wa the exchange rate was, let IS100=S1.00. If payment he made when the contract was the seller would have to 157,000,000. But if closing place two months later, wi exchange rate may be IS120 then the seller will r IS8,400,000.

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ANSWER: A two-tie implies the establishing of tr of exchange for a currency. such a system there are two exchange, at the same time, export and import transaction one for financial transacting as investments.

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By this method exports become more profitable a ports more expensive. The denominated savings of indwould be negatively affected

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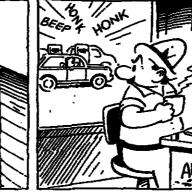
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lers only," while three issues were posted as "buyers only." There were 82 securities whose prices declined by more than five per cent. while only 34 were able to post gains of over five per cent. Mortgage bank equities turned

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stocks took it on the chin. Federation of Contractors was 9.9 per cent lower, while Clai Leasing 0,5 was down by a full 10 per cent. Insurance issues had a session of

generally advancing prices. The Menorah I and 5 shares posted rises of more than nine per cent. Yardena 0.5 was the big loser, with a drop of 10 per cent.

The service and trade group was on the downside. The Harel option was approaching the zero mark in the aftermath of a 14-point drop, to 11. The Galei Zohar option was not far behind, as it lost 15 points, to 20. Recently debuted Meir Ezra was up by 5.5 per cent, while the option was nearly if per cent higher.

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Land development, real estate and citrus plantation issues registered moderate losses. HLB Investments was 8.2 per cent lower, while Cohen Development was clipped for a 10.2 per cent drop. Property & Building continued to be eroded as its shares were nearly one per cent lower. Lifschitz 5 was a 10 per cent loser.

Industrials were also lower. It was a 10 per cent loser. Elbit and Elron declined marginally. Alliance, on the other hand, was established as 'sellers only." Arit was unchanged.

Fertilizers 0.1 was a 10 per cent loser. The Israel Can 11 shares were 7.1 per cent lower, while the option was fixed as "sellers only" for the second session. Zion Cables 5 gave up 6.4 per cent while the option sagged by no less than 28.8 per cent. Molett returned to winning ways with a full five per cent gain. Maxima I was among the major losers a sustained a 14.8 per cent drop Rim 0.4 moved up 9.8 per cent, bu Klil fell by a similar figure.

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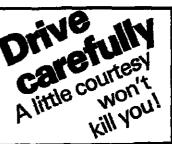
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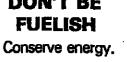


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Mr. Reagan's double track

IN THEIR angry reaction to the American-sponsored meeting between Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak and Yasser Arafat last Thursday, Israeli officials have taken particular offence at what Premier Yitzhak Shamir has described as the attempted revival of a militarily defeated PLO as a political force in the area. What really ails officials here, however, seems to be the possibility that a reconciliation between the two former Arab enemies may lead to a revival of the Reagan initiative, which was assumed to have been junked or at least frozen.

The threat to Israel, then, is that the recently concluded strategic cooperation agreement with the U.S., hailed as uniquely cementing ties between the two countries, may be eclipsed by controversy over the peaceful resolution of the Palesti-

Had Egypt's president hosted a triumphant Arafat, it would have had a more menacing meaning. But the meeting was more in the nature of a salvage operation, designed to show that Arafat, though bruised and beaten, still holds political leverage. And from the U.S. standpoint it was meant to signal some hope, however slim, that the peace process, now at a complete standstill, could perhaps be revived - by a more desperate Arafat offering King Hussein the approval he feels he needs to join talks with Israel.

Israel would have had genuine ground for complaint, too, if the U.S. were now prepared to break its own commitment of September 1975 not to have direct contact with the PLO until that organization recognized Israel's right to exist and accepted Resolutions 242 and 338. But Washington has just reaffirmed that it is interested in establishing formal ties with the PLO only if these conditions are fully met.

In making their stand in the matter clear, the Americans have indicated no shift from their previous opposition to the idea of an independent Palestinian state, which is demanded by all factions of the PLO. What the U.S. is telling Israel at the same time is that it is still wedded to the notion, which underlies 242, that an Arab-Israel peace must be based on an exchange of territory for peace and security.

It is this notion which President Reagan fleshed out in his September 1982 proposal for "self-government by the Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza in association with Jordan." That proposal was turned down flat by the Begin cabinet. The argument was not that Mr. Reagan was seeking to impose his solution on Israel prior to the start of negotiations on the final status of the territories, but that implementation of the suggested formula would pose "a serious danger" to Israel. Therefore, it could not serve as the basis for "any negotia-

The primacy assigned at the time to pacifying Lebanon was one of the reasons this difference of opinion did not blow up into a major dispute. But now Mr. Reagan is reported to believe that "enough progress" has been made in Lebanon to allow the U.S. to "go forward with the peace movement." And the direction such movement must take was plainly outlined in his old plan.

The Israeli idea of pre-empting Camp David by settlements that ensure the eventual annexation of the West Bank and Gaza does not, it appears, commend itself to this most friendly U.S. president now any more than it did before.

Thus only a few weeks after American-Israeli relations were declared to be in pink shape, sharp differences have emerged. Any more serious confrontation may be stayed off by escalating belligerence in Lebanon, by the internal PLO opposition to Arafat, by Syrian interference, or by King Hussein's ambivalence. Many weeks will have to pass before the picture becomes clear. But it would be unwise to conclude, as the government perhaps did, that Israel's present policy will be immune from American challenge for as long as Mr. Reagan is America's president.

HAGOEL SURVIVES

hack to the cabinet, Moda'i would win his colleagues' approval for Hagoel's ouster.

The debate over Hagoel was particularly "unpleasant," in the words of one minister, because a week ago the cabinet was required to address itself to the firing of another high official. Lands Administration chief Meir Shamir. There, too, the minister concerned, Agriculture Minister Pessah Grupper, claimed incompatibility.

The corporations's board is made up of 16 members who are appointed by the ministers of energy and finance. Some are government officials, who act as watchdogs, and the rest are supposed to look after the public interest. In practice, however, they are usually friends or members of the particular minister's

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heen an act.

It was not meant to be taken as a threat nor as a factor in the board's consideration of Modai's request to dismiss Hagoel and replace him with board member Amos Proshan. "I just felt that I had to say that I was considering resigning, but I did

not say it for nothing," said Hofi. Hofi said he had established a good working relationship with Hagoel which had been for the benefit of the corporation as a whole. He had supported all of the decisions for which Hagoel had been criticized by Moda'i.

He declined to comment on whether he thought the proposal to replace Hagoel was politically motivated. Hofi was replying to questions

from reporters at a press conference vesterday which had been called specifically to highlight the report of the Electric Corporation's internal inquiry into the nationwide power failure on November 10. But he found himself being crossexamined by reporters about the power struggle now taking place.

It is known that Hoff does not have good relations with Proshan and that the two have clashed on matters of policy on several occasions during board meetings.

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"I'LL SETTLE accounts with you yet!" shouted an enraged Pessah Grupper at Labour kibbutznik Ya'acov Tsur in the Knesset chamber last week.

The setting was a motion for the agenda that Tsur was presenting on the cabinet's dismissal, at Grupper's insistence, of Meir Shamir, director of the Israel Lands Administration.

What aroused Grupper's ire was Tsur's reference to a story in the weekly Koteret Roshit charging that Grupper, then deputy agriculture minister, had meddled in the operations of the ILA in order to get special privileges for someone close to him.

Grupper can take pride in the support he got from his Likud colleagues, but they themselves have nothing to be proud of.

When Tsur mentioned the Koteret Roshit accusation, Deputy Education Minister Miryam Glazer-Ta'asa called out sarcastically, "Did they really write that?" She was followed in short order by Pinhas Goldstein, Yitzhak Seyger, and Akiva Nof, all of whom professed to be shocked at Tsur's irresponsibility in citing a press report.

Lawver Ehud Olmert walked in a few minutes later, during a second round of shouting and, without knowing what was going on, interjected: "The libel law does not cover anything said by an MK from the Knesset rostrum."

Tsur's point had been that Grupper's failure to sue the paper for libel, or to react publicly in any other manner, meant that the charge still stood.

Speaker Menahem Savidor joined Grupper's defenders, to the noint of sounding like his

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greater Rehovot area are invited to

come and register at Beit Gordon.

Questions regarding voting procedures will be answered. Infor-

mation regarding the Overseas

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former in English, Menachem

Begin, is also out of the running.

READERS' LETTERS I

his political opinions to himself.

His disciple-in-rhetoric and

way since then.

opposition.

politics — on his side.

Tammany Hall, Israel-style

By ARYEH RUBINSTEIN

spokesman. It is legitimate to quote a newspaper, he said, but not to say that if the minister did not react the accusation stands: "There are newspapers that, in the minister's opinion, one need not pay any attention to."

Savidor did not reprimand Grupper for calling Tsur a liar, an epithet that even in the free-wheeling Knesset has always been regarded as unparliamentary. Both Savidor and Grupper belong to the Liberal wing of the Likud.

ONCE, when then-defence minister Ariel Sharon was strongly attacked in the Knesset, the prime minister was criticized for having Sharon deliver the government's reply instead of replying himself.

In the case at hand, although what was being attacked was a decision of the cabinet (last Sunday, by a vote of nine to five), the government's reply was delivered not by Grupper's superior but by Deputy Minister Michael Dekel, his subordinate. This is possibly the first time the government showed such poor parliamentary taste, and it does not speak well for Yitzhak Shamir's courage or leadership.

Dekel asserted that it is a minister's prerogative to bring about the appointment of "the director-general of a ministry or of the ILA" with whom he can cooperate.

The right of a minister to hire and fire the director-general of his ministry at his pleasure has the sanction of tradition. But the director of the Israel Lands Administration is appointed not by the minister but by the government. For Dekel to lump the two together was mis-

It is even a misnomer to call the ILA head "the director-general." Not only does the law refer to him as "the director," but that is what he is called in practice.

TSUR'S DEMAND that Grupper refute the Koteret Roshit charge overshadowed the real issue, which Tsur also discussed. That is the campaign of the Farmers Federation, which Grupper once headed, to sell national lands to private individuals with no restrictions on how the land may be used agriculture, industry or dwellings. Grupper wants to "defrost" the State Lands, and in this he goes

along not only with the Farmers Federation but also with the Liberal Party platform. To achieve this he would, to begin with, have to get a majority in the 23-member council of the ILA. This body is appointed by the government, II of its members being nominated by the

Jewish National Fund. Nobody but Meir Shamir himself knows whether he would have fought Grupper's hope of changing the policy on land sales or whether all he cares about is that the law and ILA policy, whatever they say, be carried out to the letter.

But there is another factor in the equation, and this may be the main reason for Grupper's determination to get rid of Meir Shamir. Shamir is regarded as a Labour man. Moshe Lipka, a lawyer, who is to succeed him, is active in the Liberal Party.

Lipka was appointed deputy director of the ILA in August 1982. although he had no previous administrative experience or any special knowledge of land problems.

For what it is worth, one ILA source (I do not say "sources" or "circles") says that despite Shamir's undisputed ability and integrity, his departure will be less of a blow to the ILA than the fact that it is Lipka who will replace him.

A NUMBER of people have a lot to answer for. The minister of finance shares with the minister of agriculture responsibility for carrying out the Israel Lands Law. Yoram Aridor, before he resigned as finance minister, was set on blocking Meir Shamir's ouster. But Yigal Cohen-Orgad has been

very quiet. Live and let by Deputy Prime Minister Levy was one of Meir chief supporters. But he was last Sunday, when the cabi Shamir the hoot. Lety's air, to reach him in the hope of the tote postponed, but the too late. I trust that whater accomplished in France w important than keeping an e

administrator in his job. The prime minister's ab hattle stance has already being

And the Knesset? Ah, th set. The watchdog over the

ment, where was the Kness Tsur's motion for a debat matter was defeated by a 36-30. The opposition votes on principle, of course, Whe principle was the non-politiof the civil service or whate government does is we another question.

But the coalition? Where those Liked mavericks who averse to demonstrating I' dependence of the gove from time to time, and sor even voting against it.

Not content themselves w ing their consent by silence. them even saw fit to heck! Was it because they were s by what he said, or becau wanted to demonstrate their

to Grupper, right or wrong. It's Tammany Hall, Israelnon-political civil service? my laughter. To the victor the spoils. And the pubdamned.

The writer is the Knesset reporte Jerusalem Post

'Son of Abba'

By DAVID LANDAU

any network's natural first-choice, must carefully limit his appearances, so as not to upstage Prime Minister Shamir.

And so, increasingly, the field is being led by Ehud Olmert — no longer so young, no longer so brash, reasoning rather than ranting and doing so in fluent and flawless English. The residual lilt of an Israeli accent gives his appearances added authenticity without at all jarring on a native English ear.

The fact is that if you switch on an ABC morning show, an NBC evening show, a BBC World Service commentary, a CBC in-depth talk programme, and Israel is the issue

public. All those wishing to register

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N. 100th Plaza No.2, Omaha,

Nebraska 68134, has worked for 14

years in law enforcement, but was

furloughed due to department cut-

backs. He is now studying psy-

chology, sociology and criminal

justice at college and would like to

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AND HE IS very good at it. If he weren't they wouldn't keep coming back to him. He is succinct, straightforward, witty and somehow manages to sound reasonable - indeed almost moderate - without transgressing his party's ideological taboos.

The Labour Party, after long years of unchallenged rule of the foreign air waves, simply has no one to match him - certainly no one of his own generation, the generation

A well-known Labour MK,

GALA WEDDING

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir. — I am saddened and angry after reading reports about the gala Avraham Shapira.

How can this man, who claims to be a leader among Jews, have such a lack of feeling or understanding? To spend \$250,000 for a wedding at a time when Israel has such economic problems is out of all proportion.

As a Jew, staunch Zionist, and American citizen, I must reevaluate my attitude about donations of money to such people. BERNARD W. WEISS, M.D.

This radically new situation was starkly demonstrated recently at the Zionist Organization's "Conference of Young Jewish Leaders" at the Dead Sea. Half a dozen Labour MKs took part in the conference. They included such up-and-coming figures as Ya'acov Tsur and Adi Amorai. They disdained the simultaneous translation service, determined to show their mastery of English. As a result, they stumbled and bumbled, often failing to convey their thoughts and to hold their

Olmert, whose rhetorical skills are virtually bilingual, fairly

speaking privately, admitted that he recently withdrew from a public platform when he realized that he would be required to debate against Olmert in English. "I wouldn't have had a chance," he said candidly. "And believe me, my intellectual equipment is not inferior to his..."

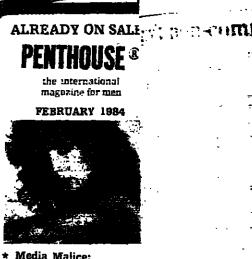
Olmert, a successful lawyer, is certainly not - yet - the kind of well-grounded, fully-rounded intellectual figure one would like to have as "Israel's lip." But he has the facility to cover lacunae and lapses with smooth chattiness. Pitted against an expert (Yediot Aharonot's on arms sales to Africa, Olmert revealed - and deftly re-concealed - some basic gaps in his knowledge of African affairs.

The Labour MK unabashedly suggested that his party ought to put two or three of its best debaters through crash courses in English speaking techniques - and thus try to recapture its former primacy in the foreign media. Motta Gur and Gad Ya'acobi are names that come to mind. Michael Bar-Zohar's

English is perfect, but he is n to be a top polemicist. cidental. He works on it assi Olmen's own prowess is ly, eagerly accepting speak vitations from Jewish and groups in the U.S.

Years ago he hoped to be deputy minister in charge of mution (hashara). The title materialized. But the job is ve his anyway, by default

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